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Preachers—As Laymen See Them

By Margie P. McCall

Sincerity is what most laymen selected as the dominant thing they desired in a pastor. Simplicity and humility scored high. This was discovered in a poll made by a young Jackson business man recently. Ed Willis, of the Mississippi Power and Light Company, soon after his return from service in the Navy, was asked to attend the State Baptist Evangelistic Conference for preachers, and give a talk on "The Layman Looks at the Preacher," in which he was to stress things laymen desired in their pastors. He accepted. He began to work on the message. He reached



Ed Willis

the lying - awake-at-night-wondering stage. He had mental pictures of himself as "a lion in den of Daniels," as he afterwards remarked. Finally he had a bright idea! He would poll his business acquaintances and see for

certain what laymen thought of their pastors! At first hand, then he found out some interesting things.

Ed Willis is a teacher in the junior department of First Baptist Church in Jackson, and serves with the juniors in the B. T. U. also. He is one of the leaders in the personal workers group in the Jackson Youth for Christ (Continued on Page Five)

The Washington Review

BY LARSTON D. FARRAR
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CHURCH LEADERS REVIEW LEGISLATION AS CONGRESS RECESSES

WASHINGTON, D. C.—There was as much praise of Congress among some religious lobbyists and church representatives for not passing certain legislation in the first session, now in recess, as there was condemnation of the lawmakers in other church circles for failing to act on particular legislation.

The most important of the unpassed bills, was the Towe bill, providing for conscription of all healthy 18-year-olds. This legislation hardly has been expected to pass Congress, during the first session at least, but opponents had some uneasy moments.

It can be predicted now that the fight over this legislation will represent one of the really big battles to come in '48. The groups favoring universal military training are determined to use the election year for a show-down. Those opposing such a national course are just as determined to prevent it in '48, in the belief that the crisis in foreign affairs will have eased by the end of that year and the United Nations organization will be well on its way toward becoming really strong.

But other legislation that did not pass brought fully as many sighs of

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HEAR THE PROVE-ME HOUR Drama — Talk — Music Round Table

Over these stations in Mississippi:
WCJU, Columbia — 8:30 a.m. Sundays.

WMBC, Macon — Time will be announced later.

Note: We expect other stations to air these programs and they will be announced later.

TO BECOME COLLEGE DEAN Dr. W. F. Taylor Is Going To Blue Mountain

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., — Dr. W. F. Taylor, head of the Department of English at Mississippi College, Clinton, will become dean of Blue Mountain College in September.

Dr. Taylor has a B.A. degree from Mississippi College, an M.A. from the University of Chicago, and a Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina. He has done research in American literature and is the author of two books.

Dr. Taylor succeeds Dr. Ernest H. Cox, who is now professor of English at the University of Florida.

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Arkansas Baptists Buy Building

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—(BP)—The Arkansas Baptist State Convention has purchased a two-story 50 by 150 foot building in the Little Rock business district for housing of Executive Board offices.

Dr. B. L. Bridges, general secretary of the Convention's Executive Board, said that the state convention has twice instructed the Board to secure an office building. High rent and inadequate space in present quarters at the Radio Center Building were given as reasons. Offices will be moved as soon as the purchased building can be reconditioned.

Dr. McCall Announces Eight Radio Programs On Tithing

Eight radio programs promoting the current Baptist tithing campaign to enlist a million tithers will be broadcast over two stations in Mississippi for the next eight weeks, as announced by the Executive Committee, S.B.C., Dr. Duke K. McCall Executive Secretary, Nashville, Tenn. The stations with locations and time will be found in the box on this page. The Radio Commission which produced these programs states this is the best series of radio programs they have produced to date.

Featured in short talks in the programs are five leading ministers, viz., Dr. J. Clyde Turner, Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, Dr. Duke K. McCall, Dr. J. B. Law-

Dr. C. O. Johnson Elected World Alliance President

By A. L. Goodrich

COPENHAGEN, Denmark—Aug. 2, 1947—Several thousand Baptists from every land, exceeding the most optimistic expectations of everybody, are here for the seventh meeting of the Baptist World Alliance. They have come from Africa and America; Australia and Armenia; Britain and Burma; Brazil and Batavia; Ceylon and Cuba; China and Czechoslovakia; France and Finland; Nigeria and New Zealand; Romania and Russia.

The opening session was featured by warm welcomes from the Danish Prime Minister, the Lord Mayor of Copenhagen, the Bishop of Copenhagen and the roll call of the nations.

Officers Elected

Both pleasing and surprising was the election of Dr. C. Oscar Johnson as president. Dr. Johnson is pastor of the Third Baptist Church of St. Louis, Missouri, and is a member of the Southern and Northern Baptist Conventions, his church supporting both conventions.

Other officers elected were: Vice-presidents, Dr. H. H. Bingham, Canada; Dr. Johs. Noorgazd, Denmark; Dr. F. Conley Lord, England; Dr. G. L. Prince, England; Dr. Henry Lin, China; Dr. T. F. Adams, Virginia; Rev. Henry Prochazka, Czechoslovakia. T. C. LeQuensne, K. C. London (Continued on Page Two)

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Youth For Christ Plans To Expand

WINONA LAKE, Ind.—(RNS)—A nation-wide drive to establish a Youth for Christ rally in every county of the nation—three thousand in all—was set as a goal for 1948 at the business session of the Youth for Christ International here.

The 1948 budget was set at \$538,000. Torry Johnson was re-elected president and the Rev. Billy Graham, Montreat, N. C., vice president.

MORRISON WARNS PROTESTANTS ON CHURCH-STATE SEPARATION

BUFFALO, N.Y. —(RNS)— Protestantism has itself to blame for increasing violations of the American principle of separation of church and state, Dr. Charles Clayton Morrison, former editor of the Christian Century, told the International Convention of Disciples of Christ here.

Two of the most glaring violations, Dr. Morrison said, are the appointment of Myron C. Taylor as the president's ambassador to the Vatican and legislation already approved in 18 states permitting the use of public school tax money to provide free text books and bus transportation for parochial school pupils.

"In all but one of the 18 states which enacted legislation similar to that in New Jersey the Protestant population is in a great majority," he declared.

"This Protestant majority is supplemented by great numbers of other citizens who cherish the religious liberty guaranteed by the Constitution. But this great body of the electorate has allowed a church representing only one-sixth of the country's popu-

lation to make a first and now a second breach in the wall of separation between church and state."

Dr. Morrison warned that a greater violation looms in the proposed Aiken and Taft bills, the first of which provides for federal aid for parochial schools, and the second of which paves the way for such a step.

"For the Catholic Church to receive federal tax funds to be used in support of its parochial schools would spell the end of our public school system as it has been established, fostered and protected for more than a century," he asserted.

Would Divide American Society

"To divide a federal appropriation between public schools and church schools would divide American society itself into sectarian political camps; it would intensify sectarian intolerance and would thrust a religious issue into the political arena from which our Constitution was designed to exclude it.

"Moreover, in sheer self-defense, Protestantism either unitedly or by (Continued on Page Two)

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and Albert Matthews, L.L.D. of Canada were elected treasurers. The following Southern Baptists were elected members of the Executive Committee: Dr. M. E. Dodd, Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, Dr. Louie D. Newton and Dr. Duke McCall.

Dr. W. O. Lewis, who had planned to retire after the 1947 Alliance meeting was re-elected for another year with the understanding that additional help would be provided.

World Council Becomes Issue

After running smoothly for two days the Thursday morning session faintly resembled a meeting of the Southern or Mississippi Baptist Conventions. Rev. Henry Cook, prominent Baptist of London, was scheduled to speak on The World Council of Churches. It is a well-known fact that he and many others in England favor affiliating the Baptist World Alliance with the World Council. Most Southern Baptists oppose such a move. They also felt that it was not quite fair to have a speech favoring the Council without also providing time for someone to present the opposite view. After Dr. Cook's address scheduled as a speech on The World Council of Churches, but which proved to be a plea for joining The World Council of Churches, there was a good bit of conferring, especially among some of the Southern Baptists, who made it very plain that if the Executive Committee should vote to join The World Council Southern Baptists would drop the Baptist World Alliance quicker than the Americans crossed the Rhine and that, program or no program, opportunity should be given for someone to present the other side. Therefore, Dr. M. E. Dodd was given time to give reasons why Baptists should paddle their own canoe and steer clear of entangling alliances. A motion was carried that the Executive Committee should take no action concerning the World Council without presenting the matter to the Alliance. That settled the question. It was never mentioned again.

Parade Staged

Copenhagen Baptists in cooperation with visiting Baptists staged a mammoth parade on the closing Sunday afternoon that impressed the Danish people concerning the Baptists, their strength, importance and prominence. Beginning in the center of town the parade eight deep and a mile long marched to the large stadium which was filled with several thousand people from all parts of the world.

Danish Church Unfriendly

For some days before the Baptist World Alliance opened the leading newspapers of Denmark gave a great deal of space to the question of whether or not the Baptists should be allowed to worship in churches belonging to the Established Church. Some tried to represent the case in a manner that suggested that there was, if not a mild form of persecution of the Baptists, at least a distinctly unfriendly and unChristian treatment of them. Permission had been sought from the vicar of the Grundtvigskirken to use the church for the special Congress Service, but this was refused. By some means or other one of the Copenhagen newspapers got hold of the story just before the Congress opened and, in spite of strong representations and protests, published a leading article under the headlines "Baptists Meet With Opposition from Fellow-Christians". For two or three

days after the article appeared the subject was taken up by all the great Danish newspapers and one article after another was published in the form of leading articles or reports of interviews with the chief persons concerned. Thus it was revealed that the Lutheran Churches of Denmark are by law closed to Baptists and to most of the other Free Churches for purposes of worship.

Apart from the Kristeligt Dagblad all the Danish newspapers which shared in the discussion of this subject were favorable to the Baptists, some of them going so far as to say that it was unChristian to refuse the use of the Grundtvigskirken and would be regarded so seriously by the visitors to the Congress that it would damage Denmark's reputation. Several of the vicars of the Established Church who are in favor of co-operation between citizens, have expressed their agreement with the public sentiment that has been roused in favor of the Baptists. Some have described the action against the Congress as narrow-minded and uncharitable.

The result of all this discussion has taken a practical turn. The Magistrate kindly offered the use of the Town Hall to the Congress if this was desired: one of the vicars who had previously refused changed his mind and offered his church for a service on Congress Sunday; and finally the Chairman of the Evangelical Alliance in Denmark, Professor Flemming Hvidberg, D.Th., has stated that he would raise the question of these old laws for full debate in the Council of the Alliance when it meets next autumn.

The Constitution was revised but all changes were either to clarify the meaning or to safeguard Baptist principles.

Christian Faith Is Defense Against Atomic Bomb

"We are being told that there is no defense against the atomic bomb. It is not true. There is a defense. The moral and spiritual regeneration of life in righteousness and faith through Jesus Christ is a real defense against the atomic bomb or anything else." So spoke Dr. Harold Cooke Phillips, of the United States, in The Congress Sermon delivered Friday morning. The universal brotherhood of man in God is not nonsense, it is sobering common sense, the delegates were told. We have a world of unparalleled power but is not a new world, it is as old as sin. Unparalleled power means unparalleled peril, when men are unregenerate. Nietzsche's philosophy says that the aim of man is to be strong and the aim of the strong is to oppress the weak. The aim of Christianity is service. Jesus is both Saviour and Lord. He came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give His life a ransom for many. He establishes a Kingdom of mutual service.

There is no more interesting part of the Congress than the roll call of the nations. As the name of each country is called a representative of the country usually in native costume told about Baptist affairs and progress in his own land. On the faces of some could be seen the marks of suffering and privation.

Dr. Rushbrooke Memorialized

On Wednesday morning deserved and loving tributes were paid to the memory of the late Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, who served for many years as secretary of the Alliance, and since 1939 as president until his recent death.

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separate denominations would be constrained to set up parochial schools of their own. America would then present the deplorable picture of three or more school systems existing side by side—a Roman Catholic system, a Protestant system, and a public school system."

The Ambassadorship to the Vatican is contrary to the American Constitution, Dr. Morrison said, because "it interlocks the official processes of the American state with the official processes of the Roman Catholic Church."

"The Roman Catholic Church is thereby given a position in the American state, a special access to the ear of the state, a power or influence over the state and therefore over the cultural life of the nation, which no other church enjoys. This is a discriminatory curtailment of the full religious liberty of all other churches."

Protestants Must Protest

Dr. Morrison contended that Protestantism "has the largest stake" in the issue of separation of church and state.

"If Protestantism passively tolerates any compromise of the principle of the equality of all religious faiths before the American states, it seals its own destiny," he claimed. "It dooms itself to become, in the end, a minority sect existing on the margins of American life. The main stream of our culture will flow in the channel determined for it by the particular religious faith which has entrenched itself in the favor and prestige of the government."

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relief to certain religious representatives here.

The Seventh-Day Adventists, who maintain world headquarters in nearby Takoma Park, worked quietly—and effectively—to prevent passage of a whole raft of measures which members of that denomination felt either represented church-state commingling, or world jeopardize some tenet of the Adventists' faith.

They fought, successfully, against consideration of the bill introduced by Senator Arthur Capper (R.-Kan.), which would provide for the use of the words, "Observe Sunday," in the cancellation of all U. S. mail.

They also worked against a bill introduced by Representative Lansdale G. Sasser (D.-Md.), which would declare Good Friday to be a legal holiday. The bill died.

The Adventists were also opposed to the bill introduced by Joseph R. Farrington, delegate from Hawaii, which would have switched the U. S. from the use of the Gregorian calendar to the use of either Edwards' "perpetual calendar" or to the so-called "world calendar." This bill was never considered.

On the other hand, much legislation strongly backed by church leaders here failed of passage in the first session of the 80th Congress.

There was the so-called Stratton bill, to allow 100,000 displaced persons a year to come to America for the next four years; the federal-aid-to-education bill, strongly backed by the Protestant church groups as long as it provided for air-tight state control and no federal funds for states that allow their use in private schools; the measure by Senator Capper which

NEW IRELAND CHURCH TO HAVE NEW BUILDING



The picture was taken just before the turning of the ground. Those pictured are, reading from left to right, Mrs. Molly Vance, Mrs. Ola Barfoot, Mrs. and Mr. H. C. Staton and Rev. Clyde L. Davis.

Friends and members of the New Ireland Baptist Church, Newton County, met July 13, at 3:00 p. m., to break the ground for a new red brick church building.

"How Firm a Foundation" was appropriately used to begin the service. This was followed with prayer by the pastor, Rev. Clyde L. Davis. He then explained the purpose of the meeting and gave a little of the history of the church. He said the old building had served its day and served well. Times have changed. We are living in a new era. And we need a new building to serve this day.

Our hearts thrilled as we watched 83-year-old Brother Henry Staton turn the first shovelfull of dirt. Brother Staton is the eldest member of New Ireland Church. He has been a member for 70 years—joining the church when he was about 13 years old.

A season of prayer followed. People stood on the site of the new building and raised their hands as a pledge before God to let nothing stop the work which had been started.

The service was closed with the group singing, "Work, for the Night Is Coming."

would prohibit the use in interstate commerce of advertisements favoring the use of liquor; federal housing legislation, and several other social measures.

One piece of legislation which started off with much publicity, but never did get to the "hearing" stage was the constitutional amendment introduced by Representative Joseph R. Bryson (D.-S.C.), prohibiting the use of federal funds by any private or parochial schools or for any other church purpose. A companion measure to this bill never was introduced in the Senate.

Church-State Relationships

Roman Catholics are waging just as vigorous a fight to get across their ideas about church-state relationships, particularly with reference to use of state funds for educational purposes, as the Baptists and other Protestants are waging to "prevent church-state entanglements."

Two pamphlets — "God and the Child," by Archbishop John T. McNicholas, O. P., of Cincinnati, and "The Non-Sectarian Bus," by the Rev. William B. McManus, of Washington—have been widely distributed by the National Catholic Welfare Conference here.

A third booklet, "Moral Values in American Education," by Archbishop James Hugh Ryan, of Omaha, is soon to be distributed.

Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." 1 Cor. 13:8-

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"Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." Jesus in Matthew 7:12.

I

Baptists have an opportunity of the ages right now to be some of God's separate and spiritual people, spreading His Gospel to the ends of the earth.

First, we have the organization, man-power, and money. We have the organization in His church, association, state, and Southern Baptist Conventions. We have the departments, equipment, and literature. We have capable, trained, and eager leadership. We have the income. Instead of giving 10 per cent plus we have been giving about 3 per cent. Consequently mission fields are left undermanned and unoccupied.

Second, this is a democratic age—in principle, at least. A Baptist church is the purest democracy on the face of the earth—when someone does not domineer and thus displace the will of God. A Baptist Convention is a democracy save when self-seekers displace the will of God and spoil the spirit of the people. We cannot give to the world that we do not have!

Third, Baptists could have the spirituality! Many do have it! We are not sure we have it in a degree great enough to absolutely represent the will of Christ to all nations!

We have the opportunity in service! Will we repent, confess, have faith in God, worship, serve, give, live for Christ to the point that people will point to us as a New Testament people without our having to repeatedly and loudly declare it?

After nearly 2,000 years of Christian History there are only about 15,000,000 Baptists out of a world population of over two billion people. Does that represent the march of missions? Does that suggest the extent of the power of Christ? Does that portray the scope of the penetration of the New Testament church life?

We are concerned, but not pessimistic about the matter! We do think it well to probe our hearts, to puncture our ego, with such facing facts occasionally!

II

Dr. Truitt told a story at the Seminary we well remember. A preacher was up fussing talking of "dark days, dark days." A little boy by his mother asked, "Mother, will that fuss never cease?"

Some people feel badly and they think everyone feels badly. Some folks get out of humor and they feel everybody is out of humor. Some people get to criticizing and it looks to them like everybody is criticizing.

When it rains around us we imagine it is raining around the world. When it is cold we think the whole earth is frozen.

We have just talked today with two people—a man and a woman. They are not related. Neither knows the other. Both have had enough to cope with to make cynics out of each of them. Rather, each one is utterly happy feeling that he and she are right where God wants them to be!

We hope we helped them! They helped us! Some people come along like a blast of hot air! Others come along to refresh us and strengthen us! Christ's people who count are the building sort!

III

All of us should spend more time in Conventions, Conferences, church groups, and everywhere in talking about the Lord Jesus Christ, the will of God, the majesty of the Holy Spirit, sin, and salvation. Then, we would talk less and less about what we want, what we think, et cetera!

Jesus didn't tell the disciples to watch out for themselves in Matthew 10 but rather that they would be whipped, imprisoned, and killed.

In the last part of Hebrews 11 the followers after God didn't spend their time looking after themselves but rather in giving themselves—stoned, sawn asunder, etc.

IV

Questions and Answers:

Starting in September we will begin a question and answer paragraph on this page. Ask any question you will about His work. We will answer it as we may be able. His people need to know about how His work is carried on! Sign your communication! Your name will not be printed! Let your questions come along!

V

Rev. F. V. McFatrige, Coldwater, with whom we recently served in a series of meetings, is the author of a very fine volume on Evangelism which you will enjoy reading.

VI

In our work we have tried constantly to keep the work, church, and association sponsored as much as possible. It was at our suggestion that the whole work and personnel of the association missionary be placed upon the association.

We are democratic by nature, spirit, and preference. We like to treat the other fellow like we enjoy being treated.

Quite a bit has been said in a few places about church goals being set.

Let us keep the record straight. So far as we recall, persons out of this office have set church goals only one time during our administration. That was during the debt campaign. Field men set them. They said many were asking for them. The churches exercised the right of acting on them.

Some association goals were set once, maybe twice. Pastors suggested that. We are not defending the setting of goals by denominational agencies.

We don't like them! NOT ONE TIME HAVE WE PERSONALLY led in setting church goals! That fact suggests our attitude. If anybody knows an exception we will appreciate them calling it to our attention.

We have no objection to properly designated leaders suggesting worthy goals. We had rather not be in on it!

So far as we recall, we have not pressed a convention to set a financial goal!

VII

Repeatedly stated—that this office has tried to be helpful to all causes.

A first emphasis has always been Evangelism, Stewardship, and the Co-operative Program—in which all share.

Then, we led in the great debt paying campaign. Mississippi College, Woman's College, and Blue Mountain College got the money which created this debt. We do not recall whether Clark College participated in this. We literally ground out some of our life in this campaign.

Third, we were glad to help in the Mississippi College Campaign. At the end of that effort \$350,000 and more had been raised and subscribed.

Fourth, we were not asked to lead in the Blue Mountain Campaign. We were asked to help in some items. Not only were these matters carried by us but we did more than we were asked to do. Once Blue Mountain asked for an advance sum—this was given in authorized manner.

Fifth, we helped lead in the hospital campaign that netted over \$350,000. We have not been privileged to help the Orphanage in a special manner.

We have not been privileged to do a great deal for Clarke College.

Maybe some of these days we will be able to help in an extra push at these points.

We have spoken all over the state and beyond for Foreign Missions and other Southern Baptist Convention causes.

We have certainly tried to do our part by State Missions.

"We are workers together with God." II Corinthians 6:1.

VIII

"Burning Hearts" by Dr. E. D. Head is a new volume from the Broadman Press and deals with resurrection experiences and triumphs.

"Sermons From Paul" by George W. Truett and edited by his son-in-law, Dr. P. W. James, is a new book of sermons just off the Broadman Press. These books may be secured from the Baptist Book Store, Jackson.

"Magnifying the Church" by E. N. Gardner is a splendid new volume just off the Broadman Press. The price is \$1.35 and may be secured from the Baptist Book Store.

"The Holy Spirit and Missions" is a new Mission study by Dr. J. B. Lawrence, well appreciated fellow Mississippian.

"The Cradle Roll Department" by Elizabeth Von Hagen is a splendid new study course book for that department.

"The Faith We Share" by Miss Robbie Trent is a new Bible study course book.

These books may be secured from the Baptist Book Store, Jackson.

"Lamp Lighters Across the Sea," a Study Book for Juniors, by Margaret T. Applegarth, is a Broadman Press book that has just come to our desk. Juniors will greatly enjoy this book. Order from the Baptist Book Store.

"Tomorrow You Lead" is a new study course book by Brother G. S. Hopkins of Texas. It is an Intermediate book though others will greatly enjoy reading it. Order from the Baptist Book Store.

"My World Too" by Porter Routh is a book just off the Broadman Press with a missionary emphasis that will engage the interest of our boys and girls as well as grown-ups.

Another missionary emphasis "That the World May Know" by W. R. White is likewise very interesting and informative.

These and other books may be ordered from the Baptist Book Store.

IX

A neighbor wants to know if it is really possible to correctly figure the tithe in the midst of the complications of the day. He suggests the life of the Jew of the Old Testament was not so intricate as ours.

First, the life of every day and age was complicated for those at that time. God very cleverly stated conditions that were to be met then and now. Read all of Malachi.

Second, would God ask an impossible thing of His people then and now? He is a God of love. He desires only the good of His people. He may ask a thing that seems hard but never one that is evil. He does not want us to be soft, selfish, silly.

Third, the government is asking for about 20 per cent of our net income and from our experience it is figured rather closely—(others figure ours).

Fourth, should the government or another say, "I'll add 10 per cent to your income," do you not think we would figure it?

Fifth, living expenses, vacations, hobbies, and such like are certainly not deducted from the income in figuring the tithe. The so-called overhead is deducted. The profit on a pair of shoes may be figured by the merchant. The profit on the sale of cattle may be figured by the breeder. The profit on the product may be figured by the manufacturer. The salaried man has a much easier problem in figuring his income and the tithe.

God's child loving Him, people, and a lost world a great deal will not cut corners, will not quibble over pennies, dimes, and dollars.

"Bring ye all the tithe into the storehouse that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of Hosts." Malachi 3:10.

"There will be plenty for all His work when we follow His will in this matter! Why will we withhold His tithe dollars from Him?"

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, All your money, talents, time and love; Consecrate them all upon the altar; While your Saviour from above speaks sweetly, Trust Me, try Me, prove Me, saith the Lord of hosts, and see if a blessing, unmeasured blessing, I will not pour out on thee."

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How increase Co-operative Program contributions FOR THE WORK OF CHRIST?

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Too Many Ordinations?

The Baptist paper in Louisiana recently carried a thoughtful discussion regarding the hasty ordination of men into the ministry. Some of the things said by the author, Dr. T. V. Herndon, were sobering. We reproduce some of the paragraphs:

Baptists believe profoundly in a God-called ministry. They look to the Lord for their preachers. He does not fail them. God-called Baptist preachers have a good record. They are not perfect but usually they prepare and prove themselves in their preaching. They have made great history. The Master does not blunder in calling preachers. The blundering is of our doing. He can be depended on to provide the right sort of preachers for His churches.

The trouble with us is that Baptists sometimes do not wait on the Lord in this matter. They take it in their own hands. They lay ordaining hands on some prematurely. The results of such presumption are bad. If there is any point where we should exercise the greatest of caution and the most prayerful discrimination, it is in the matter of ordaining preachers. To ordain and release on the churches unworthy men is a costly blunder. Should we call it a crime? It is unthinkable that God should be held responsible for some whom the churches ordain for the ministry today.

"Judged by their fruits, these do not commend themselves as God-called or God-approved. Some ordained serve for only a short time. In some cases they quit the ministry and in other cases the ministry quits them. Many of them discover that they are not called of God and do the commendable thing of getting out of the ministry. There are some who show no fitness of any sort for the high calling. They are hazy

in their doctrinal views and real convictions of truth seem absent. They show no real seriousness of purpose. They make no sacrificial effort at preparation. Their pastorates are brief and they leave churches in worse condition than they found them. Behind them are debts and bad deeds that the church must account for. They blame the brethren for their failures to reach high places and turn against denomination."

One man affirmed that preachers were like other people and were entitled to a good time. This was said in explanation of behavior unbecoming to any Christian. A stranger united with a church and was given ordination before anything of his past was known. He had a criminal record which continued after his ordination. One brother who fraternized with "Holy Rollers" asked for ordination in a Baptist church. The next Sunday he supplied the church that ordained him and in the pulpit made a vicious attack on Baptists. His credentials were called for but more than one church was damaged before he surrendered them.

Such things discredit the ministry, hold the whole denomination up to ridicule and the holy cause of our Lord is made to suffer.

"We know some of the reasons why these things happen. Baptist freedom permits it. Safeguards set by other denominations are impossible to Baptists. The local church is supreme. Some churches have not been properly trained in handling this delicate and sacred matter and are easily led into mishandling it. Ambitious preachers want the publicity then get by sending out young preachers and lay hands on some of their own selection. . . .

"Churches will proceed with the ordination of men who many members know are unworthy. These members are too timid to protest. They ease their consciences by hoping that it will turn out all right. Churches seem to take them too lightly or do not know what the scripture qualifications for the ministry are. They are not careful to seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Thus for some reason or another, mistakes in this most vital matter occur. . . .

"More attention should be given to the fitness of candidates. Spiritual qualifications set forth in the New Testament should be sought in candidates. Time for proving the candidates' worth and genuineness should be given.

"Pastors should stand guard against mistakes and instruct the churches."

Noah's Ark Found?

The Commercial-Appeal, Memphis daily newspaper, reported a feature story in its edition of March 31 concerning the conjecture of an Arkansas State College professor who believes Noah's Ark may exist on Armenian mountain slope. The professor, Dr. Reginald W. Martin, head of the Department of Music at the college expressed this belief over the CBS network from New York. The basis of the belief found its genesis in a published story of a Russian aviator's experience near Mt. Ararat in Armenia back in 1917 and the report made public in a small publication sent out by a research organization. The newspaper quoted Dr. Martin as saying, "if the craft is found to be that of Noah's Ark, then historians would be able to determine definitely the cradle of our civilization". Dr. Martin is a great, great grand-son of Charles Wesley, brother of John Wesley the founder of the Methodist church.

Have You Wondered?

Why aren't the unsaved brought quickly under conviction?

Especially during a revival meeting? And why don't they respond as they used to do when there was not so much preaching and people did not go to church half as often?

I think I have found, for myself at least, a part of the answer. It has nothing to do with the oft-ness of church going or the number of sermons preached.

Nor does it have anything to do with plans and programs, which, though always a decided help, are never, within themselves, able to supply the conviction needed to close the distance between mere interest and complete surrender.

It is regrettable, that the lost do not see enough concern for them in the prayers and action of others. Too many invitations are merely like social invitations—not of the heart, from a man conscious of his salvation to a man, not even conscious of his lost condition.

The lost can listen to preaching on and on, be brought to every kind of church meeting, endure many religious conversations, but if they do not see anguish for them in the faces of Christians about them, soul concern, deep and honest, they will never be saved.

If not tears there must be at least, an earnest plea. The lost must see in the saved evidence of an undoubted vision of the ruin of sin and the destiny of judgment and hell for the unrepentant.

The concern of two or three persons may bring a few to Christ

but it will never bring a great revival. There must be mass concern. Beginning with those who live closest to the Lord concern must spread out to the last individual touched by the church.—Oklahoma Message in Southside Digest.

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Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor.

LUKEWARMNESS

"Yes, Lela, just put the castor oil in some coffee, and William won't taste the oil," so said a gracious (?) neighbor woman to mother a few years ago when I was sick. I objected, but to no avail. I was too sick to fight and too weak to run, so I surrendered to the new deal which turned out to be an ordeal.

Lukewarm coffee with nasty castor oil floating on top—Phew, what a dose! I finally took it—and immediately returned it—my stomach used good judgment. I have always been "agin" taking it in any shape—especially in lukewarm coffee.

There is just one thing that makes me more nauseated than this—lukewarm church members.

They give me about the same feeling spiritually that the lukewarm coffee gives me physically. That is what is meant when the Lord was speaking to the church over at Laodicea in Rev. 3:14-19. The Lord said: "I know the works, thou art neither cold nor hot. . . . So then because thou art lukewarm, I will spue thee out of my mouth. . . ." The lukewarm crowd is neither for nor against. They are neither fully for God, nor fully against the devil.

They are the "fence straddlers." If they are following at all, it is at a distance. This group favors Home Missions when you're taking Foreign Mission offering. The truth is they are missionary in name, but not in practice.

They don't come to the business meetings, but criticize what was done. They respond to a warm message about like a wooden Indian. Their expression never changes until the preacher says something about money or missions, and then they look and act like they had swallowed a dill pickle.

We may rebuke them, but not remake them. Even God gave them up and said: "I will spue them out of my mouth." They are the headache of the church; the heartache of heaven; the problem of the pastor and of all Christendom.—William Crow in The Baptist Messenger.

PREACHERS—AS LAYMEN SEE THEM

(Continued from Page One)

on each Saturday night. He loves the Bible and as a hobby he commits to memory some passage of Scripture every day. He uses his "time off" from his job on Saturdays to help in a mission among the less privileged groups of young people in the city.

When Ed began to interview his business friends he discovered that the laymen were practically unanimous in BELIEVING IN THEIR PASTORS. This, he thinks, should be of great encouragement to preachers.

From his address we reproduce a number of excerpts:

"We laymen are looking for a real man for a minister. A real sincere man, an humble man, and a real man of the truth." He took his "text" from I Cor. 2:12: "For our rejoicing is this, the testimony of our conscience, that with simplicity and Godly sincerity, not with fleshy wisdom, but by the grace of God, we had had our conversation in the world and more abundantly to youward."

Paul demonstrated that it was possible to maintain an attitude of rejoicing notwithstanding trials, however, as we read his testimony in II Cor. 6:10, "As sorrowful and yet always rejoicing, as poor and yet making many rich, as having nothing and yet possessing all things." The layman is looking for a real man of rejoicing . . . rejoicing because he has the victory over the entanglements which limit the job of ministers. . . .

The laymen like simplicity. But not too simple. Yet not too spectacular. Recently a junior boy repeated what a pastor said about the good Samaritan. It was a tribute to the minister. Juniors may not understand Greek but they grasp the Gospel easily. . . .

Not too spectacular with fancy topics which vie with the headlines, and deal with international problems, and economic problems here at home. What will Russia do with the Balkans is an expected topic for the news commentator, but not the minister. A Washington matron called up the minister of the Episcopal Church and asked, "Will the president be in the congregation today?" The minister replied, "Madam, of that I cannot be sure, but I can assure you that God will be with us." . . .

A woman in the central part of the U. S. in response to the questionnaire regarding the dress of ministers replied, "The minister of today does not dress sharp enough to be a lawyer and not sober enough to be an undertaker, and not fancy enough for the race track," therefore, she says, "I think the minister should stick to the high collar as his effective means of maintaining his

individuality." I do not think the lady was expressing the opinion of the people at all in this statement. The layman is interested more especially in the cut of the minister's character rather than the cut of his coat. . . .

Sirs, we ask that the emphasis be not on the speech or the appearance, but on the Christ. It is Christ who has died for our sins. "But God commendeth his love toward us in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for our sins." Romans 5:8. "For Christ also hath once suffered for sins the just for the unjust that he might bring us to God." I Peter 3:18. Jesus said, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth will draw all men unto me." Matt. 12:32. The layman rejoices in the minister who keeps the light on Christ. . . .

A layman from a neighboring church said: "I just love to hear my pastor preach. But if he were not sincere I wouldn't like him. My pastor is burdened for lost souls and consistently employs himself in personal soul winning. But if he weren't sincere, I wouldn't like him. But I believe him to be sincere, and that all he does is in keeping with the purpose of his heart."

Recently Dr. George Morelock was in Jackson. Dr. Morelock is the secretary of lay activities of the Methodist Church with headquarters in Chicago. While he was in Jackson I had an opportunity to talk with him briefly on this subject and he said, "Quite often we are shocked by the immoral behavior of some minister that has made its way into the news. We read where he has been dishonest in discharging his duties. We read where he has lowered the standards of his behavior, but" he continued, "I do not believe this to be his greatest hazard. In my opinion the greatest hazard the minister has is to be honest with himself. The greatest hazard is allowing his conversation to get ahead of his conduct."

E. Stanley Jones relates an experience he had with a native woman who was attending the service he was conducting in a foreign country. He was aware as he preached the truth to his congregation that day that this particular woman was impressed by what he was saying and he was quite disturbed when he saw her leave her seat, turn into the aisle and walk hurriedly out the back of the building, in the middle of the service without apparent reason. He could not explain why she left. Presently toward the end of the service the woman returned to the church and continued her rapt attention to what he was having to say. At the close of the service she came forward enthusiastically and he had an explanation of her behavior. She said, "I could hardly believe that you lived what you preached and so I rushed out to talk with your driver to see if you backed up your preaching with your life."

HUMILITY DESIRED

My mother has had ample time to appraise the assets of many ministers and especially the one who is at present her minister. I was particularly interested in asking her what she liked best about her minister. Quick as a flash she replied, "He has many things to be proud of and yet remains consistently humble."

Recently I received a letter from a minister to whom I owe much. He included a verse of Scripture that has made a good companion. "And if thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and the darkness be as the noon day; and the Lord shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones, and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not." Isa. 58:10-11. The layman likes the minister who is a consistent challenge to him to be his best witness for the master. No rewards higher, no needs greater, no practice more difficult to establish. Oh, we will draw out our pocketbooks, as evidenced by impressive masonry that we find on many corners, but draw out our soul to the hungry.

DAN THOMPSON LICENSED TO PREACH



On April 11 Ebenezer Church of Bassfield licensed Dan Thompson to preach the gospel. Dan is an ex-service man and plans to enter Mississippi College in the fall. He is now a student at Poplarville Junior College.

The church heartily recommends him to the fellowship of Mississippi Baptists, and particularly to those whom he shall serve.

please, no. "And the Lord shall guide thee continually." We depend on the guidance of the Lord in many ways like the ground hog does a road map. We are more like a withered weed than a watered garden. More like a sponge than a spring. The layman likes the truth in the pulpit that Christians may be magnificent not mediocre.

I sat in a study course for teachers in our department and was interested in the opinions being aired about the greatest need that we had as teachers. One, with whom it would be difficult to find fault said, "I am praying for a clean heart and clean hands as I go on about the business of the Lord that I might be used of Him." . . .

The layman likes the truth about the importance of separation from sin, and he likes to hear it in the pulpit, as outlined in II Cor. 6:17-18. "Wherefore come out from among them and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and I will receive you, and will be a father to you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters." Is there any experience in the life of the Christian that results in more vitality than that of overcoming sin in the life that it has shackled?

The experience I had in questioning others about their likes concerning ministers was rich. The laymen generally appreciate the heavy demands placed on the minister and in the case of metropolitan churches individual visitation of all members is practically an impossibility. Paul must have had somewhat the same difficulty in ministering to such a variety of people in such a wide variety of places, but the impression here is that Paul in every word and deed indicated "I am your friend."

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS (Continued from Page Three)

- First, pray about it.
- Second, understand what the Co-operative Program items are.
- Third, study the percentages of distribution.
- Fourth, inform the people from the pulpit, and through all departments.
- Fifth, use letters, tracts, posters, etc.
- Sixth, include the Co-operative Program in the budget. Make the per cent as large as possible.
- Seventh, have a Co-operative Program Day.
- Eighth, vote monies out of the church surplus for the Co-operative Program causes.
- Ninth, keep on keeping on. "Work till Jesus comes." Jesus has not quit. He has been working longer than has any of us.
- Tenth, be happy in it all.

ASSOCIATION GIFTS January-June, 1947

Hinds-Warren	\$128,264.43
Lauderdale	37,948.03
Columbus	31,179.58
Lebanon	29,468.06
Jones	23,541.69
Pike	21,637.67
Deer Creek	17,801.22
Lee	17,091.06
Copiah	15,139.97
Jackson	13,851.70
Pearl River	11,427.59
Lincoln	11,189.09
Grenada	9,588.72
Clay	8,716.27
Union County	8,388.57
Marion	8,349.60
Winston	8,302.02
Riverside	8,142.59
Mississippi	8,036.75
Jeff Davis	7,988.42
Holmes	7,898.73
Leflore	7,636.65
Sunflower	7,616.21
Pontotoc	6,765.65
Clarke	6,399.46
Newton	6,242.61
Gulf Coast	5,976.35
Calhoun	5,945.59
Neshoba	5,616.88
Rankin	5,542.25
Madison	5,245.15
Monroe	5,235.73
Oktibbeha County	5,144.58
Bolivar	5,077.63
Simpson	4,933.93
Yazoo	4,786.93
Attala	4,763.73
Tippah	4,696.51
Panola	4,588.59
Prentiss	4,497.38
Marshall	4,315.40
Walshall	4,185.91
Scott	4,119.03
Covington	4,041.70
Adams-Franklin	4,038.11
Tallahatchie	3,717.16
Jasper	3,579.31
Lawrence	3,199.08
Alcorn	3,048.70
Montgomery	2,808.59
Chickasaw	2,657.51
Leake	2,563.54
George	2,403.58
Wayne	2,176.80
Zion	2,097.16
Lafayette	1,968.36
Tate	1,935.19
Smith	1,908.57
Noxubee	1,806.17
Benton	1,759.94
Yalobusha	1,637.88
Tishomingo	1,589.51
Choctaw	1,583.35
De Soto	1,555.27
Greene	1,305.73
Kemper	1,226.89
Union	1,152.50
Perry	1,035.82
Carroll	797.05
Liberty	336.39
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Oktibbeha	294.60
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SPARKS & SPLINTERS

The Union County Association meets September 16-17 instead of October 16-17 as recently printed in the Baptist Record. The first day's session will be at Pleasant Ridge Church, and the second day's session will be at Martin Church.

The Baptist Record has received an account of the recent VBS at Sunflower Baptist Church. However, the article was simply signed Sunflower Baptist Church. If the writer of the article will send us his name the Baptist Record will be glad to publish the account of the fine VBS. Each week we receive articles that are unsigned. It is the custom of all newspapers not to use material unless they know the source thereof.

Pastor Carl E. Talbert reports that their Training Union has been standard for the past 2 quarters. (Editors Note: We understand that there are only 3 standard unions in the state.) Mrs. Carl Talbert is Director. The Sunday School, of which J. C. Morgan is superintendent, has been standard for the past 3 years. This church has a bright future, for Meridian continues to build in that direction.

Rev. Carl E. Talbert assisted Rev. A. H. Miller and Mt. Vernon Church of Holmes County in a revival July 20-25. The interest was manifested in prayer and the use of cars and trucks to bring the people to the meeting. There were 28 additions, 18 by baptism. The church organized a Training Union on the Sunday following the meeting.

Mrs. Lee Atteberry writes that "for the 4th consecutive year Pastor R. L. Ray, Jr., conducted the revival at French Camp. It was a good meeting and the people are grateful to Pastor Ray for his great service."

August 3-8 Rev. Carl E. Talbert, pastor of Marion Church, assisted Pastor A. H. Miller and the Pleasant Ridge Church of Holmes county in their annual revival. Pastor Talbert says that in spite of it being his 2nd consecutive year with the church that they had a good meeting even though it was primary election time. There were 4 additions.

Rev. Virgil Ratcliff was the preacher and H. S. Kinard, Jr., the singer in the revival at Marion July 27-August 1. Rev. Carl E. Talbert is pastor. The meeting began on Sunday, July 27, with a roll call of the church, a reading of the church covenant and the church history. Pastor Talbert reports the largest crowd during his pastorate.

Rev. M. S. Varnado, pastor of Calvary Church, Pascagoula was the visiting preacher for the Sturgis Church revival which closed July 27. There are reasons to believe the spiritual phase of the meeting was much deeper than shown by the four additions by letter. Varnado did some masterful preaching. The Sunday School met each evening and had class meetings as if on Sunday.

Rev. W. C. Howard, pastor of First Church Water Valley, was the guest minister for the meeting at Morgan Chapel Church, Oktibbeha county. There was only one profession of faith, a girl who stated she was converted during a devotion conducted by her teacher in the public school last winter. This teacher joined by letter the same night. By far the majority of the membership, came forward rededicating their lives.

The Eudora Church closed a splendid Vacation Bible School, with Miss Elizabeth Rose Thompson as principal. The enrollment was 128 with an average attendance of 109, and a mission offering of \$54.25. Rev. E. C. Horton is pastor of this fine church.

The new Sunday School room of Russell Church has been completed and is being occupied by the Men's Bible Class.

Beginning August 4 the New Prospect (Louisburg) church had a Vacation Bible School for one week with Miss Elizabeth Rose Thompson as principal. They enrolled 83 and gave \$12.88 to Missions. Rev. R. F. Wilmouth is pastor of this active church.

Rev. Troy Sumrall was the evangelist in a splendid revival at Union Church, Perry County. Rev. T. W. Hembree, pastor. The crowds were overflowing the house as people from adjoining churches worshipped with the local congregation. There were 18 received for baptism and eight by letter. This church is also in the midst of a building program.

Mrs. J. L. Sims served as principal of the Russell Vacation Bible School. Rev. R. H. Fitzgerald is pastor of the church. The attendance was good.—Reporter.

From Los Angeles comes word that the average marriage in Los Angeles county lasted only 6.2 years in 1945 compared with 9.3 years in 1933.

During the first six months of 1947, traffic fatalities reached 14,480, compared with 15,890 for the same period in 1946.

The annual revival at Russell Church will begin August 24, with Rev. Paul G. Horner of Fifteenth Avenue Church, Meridian, doing the preaching. Preceding the revival was held a Laymen's revival the week of August 17.—MRS. MAUDE REID, Reporter.

The largest Methodist church in the United States is the First Church, Houston, Texas, with 7,455 members. Seven of the ten Methodist churches with more than 4300 members are in the South. There are twenty-five Southern Baptist churches with more than 4300 members.

MAGNIFYING THE CHURCH by Rev. E. Norfleet Gardner, pastor of First Church, Henderson, North Carolina, was released by Broadman Press in June of this year. The messages of the book emphasize the supremacy of the church and the need of its members to magnify it in their thinking. The 13 chapters are 13 sermons, which are clear and positive in manner, and will awaken to all who read the opportunities of the church in building a better world. Some of the chapter headings are: A Divine Institution, The Mother of Benevolence, A Lighthouse of Truth, The Cradle of Freedom, A Fellowship of Worship, and a Builder of Character. Order for \$1.35 from the Baptist Book Store.

The Relief and Annuity Board is adding three stories to its building in Dallas, Texas, in order to provide additional office space for Texas Baptists, and the Relief and Annuity Board.

There were 14,233 teacher training awards issued by the Sunday School Department during July. The Training Union Department reported 25,202 awards issued as compared with 20,903 issued for 1946.

Americans spent \$37,000,000,000 for food in 1946 as compared with \$14,000,000,000 in 1939.

Thomas M. Collins has resigned as Sunday school secretary for Florida to accept the call of the First Church, Carrollton, Alabama.

Rev. W. E. Smith has resigned the pastorate at Walnut in order to continue his theological education.

Dr. W. A. Hewitt, Pastor-Emeritus of First Church, Jackson, has been called by Daniels Church as supply pastor while the church seeks a permanent pastor. The chairman of the pulpit committee is Clinton Smith, Rt. 6, Jackson. The church has been without a pastor since Rev. C. H. Thomas resigned on July 15.

THE TIDE of the Gulf Coast Association, published by Missionary O. B. Anderson, reports that the Logtown Church sponsors a Mission Station on Highways 90 and 190, across the Louisiana line between Slidell and New Orleans, approximately eight and one-half miles from Logtown and nine miles from Slidell. This is the only Baptist work between Slidell and Gentilly Church, New Orleans.

Rev. Edward L. Byrd began his fourth year as pastor of Highland Church, Meridian, on July 6. During the three years ministry there have been 445 additions, 201 of whom have come by baptism, 228 by letter and 16 by statement. The present membership of the church is 1,042. There are 694 enrolled in Sunday School and 230 in Training Union. Total receipts for the three years amounts to \$117,081.

Oloh Church (Marion Ass'n) had a good revival July 27-Aug. 1. Rev. Carey Cox, Hazelhurst was the evangelist and Rev. J. C. Pinson, Osyka the song leader. They are a splendid team of workers. There were 19 for baptism, 6 by letter and 3 by statement—total 28. The church was truly revived—about 25 people rededicating their lives to Christ. F. G. Wilborn, pastor.

The preacher for the revival at Salem, Walthall county, was Rev. E. Y. Soileau. The church was much revived, and is planning new undertakings and enlargement plans. There were 23 professions of faith.—P. F. HERRING, Pastor.

If I may take a little of your valuable time and space I would like to say that the revival meeting of Indian Springs Baptist Church, R. 5, Laurel, was held July 27-August 1. Rev. George A. Nichols, pastor of First Church, Ellisville, was the evangelist, and a good one. Bro. Noxie Taylor, a home boy, led the singing in a fine way. The church was revived and we received 15 additions, 10 for baptism and 5 by letter—VARNEY J. MOSS, Pastor.

The preacher for our revival at Enon, Walthall county, was Rev. Lewis Curtis. The response was very fine, and there were 21 professions of faith.—P. F. HERRING, Pastor.

Highland Heights Baptist Church of Memphis, Tennessee recently closed its greatest Vacation Bible School with an enrollment of 514, an average attendance of 351 and 15 making their profession of faith. Dr. S. A. Murphy is pastor.

The Centreville Church gave their new pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. A. A. Ward, a most cordial welcome Tuesday, August 5, when they arrived on their new field. The pastor's home had been redecorated inside and outside. Everything a people could do to make a new pastor and family feel at home had been done. A large congregation met them at the church Sunday morning. There were five additions at the close of the service. All other churches in town called in their night services and went to the Baptist Church Sunday night. A great cooperative spirit prevailed in this service.

West Side, Church, Macon, had a revival beginning July 20. Rev. Charles L. Phillips, pastor of Bethel Church, Newton county, was the preacher. Rev. J. L. Hearn is pastor. There were 21 additions, 14 for baptism. A WMU was organized during the meeting.

Rev. M. P. Jones, pastor of Sylvarena Church, reports a good meeting led by Dr. W. L. Holcomb. According to Pastor Jones, there were fine crowds and the spirit was good. There were 13 additions for baptism.

There were 18 additions during the revival at Pilgrim's Rest Church, Panola county, July 13-18. The preaching was done by Rev. Claud Howe, pastor.

The annual revival of Greenville Church, Marion county, was held July 20-25. Rev. H. L. Fewel of Sandifer was the preacher. There were 6 additions. Rev. John C. Watts of Columbia is pastor.

Rev. Clark McMurray was the preacher and Rev. Marcus Alexander the singer for the revival at Spring Cottage Church, Marion county. There were 15 additions, 10 by baptism. At the closing service the church voted to begin immediately the building of Sunday School rooms. Rev. Marcus Alexander is pastor.

Pastor J. W. Sturdivant reports that it was his happy task to preach in the revival at Arcola where Rev. J. W. T. Siler is the efficient pastor. The Lord blessed the services and large crowds attended. They are a happy, progressive church.

A very successful revival closed Friday night at Bethesda, in Oktibbeha county. There were six additions. The Rev. C. C. Weaver of DeKalb did the preaching while the pastor, John E. Barrow, assisted in leading other work.

Rev. E. L. Howell was assisted in the annual revival of Foxworth Baptist Church by Dr. Allen O. Webb of Throckmorton, Texas. There were 33 additions, 14 of whom were for baptism.

West Laurel T.E.L. Teacher And Sec'y Both Beyond 80



Mrs. G. W. Martin, 80, and Mrs. E. H. Hamilton, 81, shown above are secretary and teacher of the T.E.L. Class of West Laurel Church. Mrs. Hamilton has been a Christian for 61 years and has been teacher of the T.E.L. Class for 20 of those years. Mrs. Martin has been a Baptist for more than 35 years and has served efficiently as secretary of the T.E.L. Class for nine years. In this class, according to Mrs. Howard Cole, Superintendent of the Adult Department, of 21 members there are four who are more than 80 years of age and the average age of the entire group is 67. When the opportunity was presented recently for helping some underprivileged child to attend camp, this class of women was the first class in the Adult Department to raise the funds needed.

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First Church, Crystal Springs, Rev. M. D. Morton, pastor, has set a goal of 700 in Sunday School by mid October. Three ways to help meet this goal are by working, visiting and praying, we are told in The Courier.

The Gulf Coast Baptist Ministers' Association was organized on July 7. The time of meeting will be in Gulfport on Monday after the third Sunday in each month. The first meeting was on July 21.

Dr. T. C. Gardner who has recently completed 32 years with Texas Baptists as State Training Union Director will supply the pulpit of First Church, Abilene, Texas, on August 24. Dr. M. A. Jenkins is pastor.

Rev. H. J. Rushing of West Laurel Church assisted Pastor J. M. Foy of South Laurel in their revival recently. As a result of the services there were four professions of faith, three additions by letter and two young men surrendered to the gospel ministry.

Pastor Ray F. Dykes of Meridian entreats his people as follows: With grit, grace and greenbacks—the Grit of determination, the Grace of God and Greenbacks of our pocketbooks, we entreat all who read this to join the Christian Citizens' Council, and put time, effort and money into seeing this liquor fight fought to a finish. . . . When you are called on, co-operate, for your own sake, for the sake of your wife and children, for the sake of decency and honor, and for the Kingdom of Heaven's sake.

Ebenezer Church, Jeff Davis County, used the following as faculty members in a recent study course: Mrs. J. W. Sinclair, Mrs. Sam Thompson, Rev. Dan Thompson and Rev. R. E. McDonald. The attendance was good.—Reporter.

Sunday School Department

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Mr. W. A. Harrell

Mr. W. A. Harrell, Secretary of the Department of Church Architecture, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., will be with us for Wednesday ONLY during our State-wide Sunday School Clinic in the First Baptist Church of Jackson the week of August 25-29.

Therefore, if any would like to see him that day about church buildings, that will be your opportunity, and the only one of that week.

Ridgecrest in Jackson

To read the names of the faculty members for our Sunday School Clinic in the First Baptist Church of Jackson the week of August 25-29 certainly sounds like the Ridgecrest faculty.

And, the reason it does, is because it's the same faculty, with one or two exceptions.

This is such an unusual opportunity that we hope many people will take advantage of it. In fact, it is a very rare privilege we are having that week. Sunday school officers and teachers within a radius of 40 or 50 miles from Jackson can drive in for the evening sessions which begin at 7:30.

Each department of the Sunday school will be led by a Southwide specialist. The work will be conducted on the clinic basis, and will not be simply a study course in the usual sense of the term. However, credit on the Administration department book will be given to all who desire it.

So, Brother Pastor and Brother Superintendent, see to it that plans are made for your workers to attend at least some of the evening sessions that week. There will be both information and inspiration in abundance. Come and get your share and make your school a better one.

Many Bibles Needed

During 1946 the American Bible Society distributed at home and abroad 879,616 Bibles, 2,314,900 Testaments and 8,199,684 Portions, a total of 11,394,200 volumes;

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Bibles, 611,223 Testaments and 258,498 Gospels;

shipped 205 tons of cellulose and paper to Germany together with other raw materials to begin printing of at least 1,000,000 Bibles in Germany;

to Japan shipped 383,000 New Testaments and 360,356 Gospels;

published in ten volumes the first Braille Concordance for the use of the Blind; and exceeded all former years in the distribution of Scriptures to the Blind;

shared in initiation in London of the "United Bible Societies," which 16 national groups have already joined for more efficient service to the world's Bible needs;

joined with the British Society in a Conference, in Rio de Janeiro in February, of all the Latin American Agencies;

inaugurated the publication of a Latin American quarterly news magazine in Spanish;

distributed over 16,000,000 reading lists and other pieces of literature in connection with Worldwide Bible Reading, Thanksgiving to Christmas;

made available to the churches 3 Bible Story Motion Pictures, "The Nativity," "The Woman of Samaria" and "The Parable of the Sower";

but faced present opportunities which called for an increase of at least 220 per cent in donations to its regular budget if it is to hold the line in per capita giving comparable to that of other English-speaking peoples of the world.

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BAPTIST CONGRESS HEARS MESSAGE FROM TRUMAN

COPENHAGEN —(RNS)— More than 5,000 delegates from 46 nations attended the opening session here of the Seventh Congress of the Baptist World Alliance and heard a message from President Truman, himself a Baptist, urging spiritual as well as political and economic cooperation among nations to achieve a peaceful world community.

The president's message said in part:

"I am pleased to extend greetings to the Seventh World Congress of Baptists. The world today is desperately in need of positive action by the forces of good will and cooperation as it searches for a formula for lasting peace.

"By gathering together for discussion and worship, in an atmosphere of fellowship and brotherly love, the Baptists here are symbolizing the hope of mankind for a brighter tomorrow.

"To achieve a free and peaceful world community, which all men of good will earnestly desire, it is necessary that we dedicate ourselves not only to political and economic cooperation, but to spiritual cooperation as well. To this end I pledge the best efforts of the United States. Please accept my best wishes for your success."

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Dr. L. Bracey Campbell led in the revival meeting at Slayden August 3-8. There were many rededications and 7 for baptism. Rev. R. O. Bankston is pastor. Prof. J. D. James led the singing and Mrs. Louise Hurdle directed a Junior choir.

Mississippi's Miss Landrum Serves In Brazil 25 Years



By Elizabeth Draughon

Miss Minnie Landrum, native of Holmes County, Mississippi, reached Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, to begin her work as a missionary on August 19, 1922. This is her twenty-fifth anniversary.

In an article in the August issue of Royal Service, Miss Landrum recalls how a timid 16 year old girl, one of ten children, responded to a call to dedicate her life for service for her Lord, when the pastor repeated in a distinct voice the promise of the Lord, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Her decision and surrender were made after her father, one of three men and two women in Central Church in 1909, had stood indicating they were willing for their sons and daughters to dedicate their lives for definite Christian service, should the Lord call them.

In 1925 Miss Landrum was elected W.M.U. Field Worker for Brazil, but because of limited funds had to serve chiefly in South Brazil. The responsibility of Corresponding Secretary was added to the duties of field worker in 1927. In 1928 there were 238 W.M.U.'s, 32 Y.W.A.'s, and 127 Sunbeam Bands, with 7,000 members. In 1931 the first offering from the Lottie Moon Christmas offering came in the sum of \$2,500. Miss Mallory's visit in 1930 marked the beginning of a new era in W.M.U. work. The erection of the Publishing House in 1936 and turning over the Training School in Recife to the W.M.U. in 1941 and plans for construction of a school in Rio, help to account for the 658 W.M.U.'s, 205 Y.W.A.'s and 410 Sunbeam Bands, with a membership of 23,355 show the progress of 25 years labor in Brazil by one of Mississippi's own.

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Miss Corriane Griffin, recent graduate of Blue Mountain, who has been the Mississippi and Louisiana BSU missionary to the Hawaiian Islands this summer, will be in Mississippi during the month of August, and, for her expenses, will be glad to visit any church or college to tell of her experiences, according to Charles W. Horner, State BSU Secretary. Under the auspices of the Foreign Mission Board, Miss Griffin and ten other Southern Baptist College students did Vacation Bible School work in the Islands during June and July. Her home address is: 208 S. Twelfth Avenue, Laurel, Mississippi.

Pastor James E. Bailey, Jr., reports 5 additions in the revival at Providence Church, Tippah county, July 20-25. Pastor W. E. Smith of Walnut did the preaching.

European Sidelights

By A. L. Goodrich

On the steamship, the Queen Elizabeth, a woman asked the operator of the lift (elevator):

"Are you going to the purser's office?"
"No, but I'll put off in front of his office."

At the Baptist World Alliance meeting one brother explained the difference in the Baptists, Methodist and Quakers. He described the Baptists as the Big Wash, Methodists, the Little Wash, and the Quakers as No Wash.

I had a very pleasant visit with Dr. J. D. Franks in Geneva, Switzerland. Dr. Franks is the former pastor of First Church, Columbus, and now represents Southern Baptist in European Relief, giving particular attention to Poland.

In Denmark there is very little trouble about drunken driving. A person suspected of this offense must submit to a medical examination. If a blood test shows more than one drink of beer, wine, or whiskey, the offender goes to jail.

At the Palace of Versailles, France, I was shown the Kings Chapel. The King sat in the balcony facing the altar. The Lords sat downstairs with their backs to the altar and their faces toward the King. They prayed to the King and he relayed their prayer to God!

In Rome I saw all kinds of cars and trucks in operation. Gasoline is rationed and coupons are required. A Baptist preacher told me that for three months requests for gasoline coupons had been denied. This reminded me of gasoline rationing days in America. I made application for a few gallons of gas in order to help out a pastor who was quite sick. The application was denied and on the way back to my office (a few blocks) I saw several trucks hauling such things as gambling machines, cigarettes, and other non-essential items.

Swiss funerals are held early, usually from 7 to 8 o'clock. This enables the men to attend without loss of time from business. It is the custom for at least one person from each family in the town to attend. Everybody goes on foot, the men in front two by two and the women behind and all are dressed in black.

While riding a bus through the very steep mountains in Switzerland, we were told that a fall there was like very poisonous medicine—one drop kills.

In Switzerland the guide told about the time the King of Italy dropped his handkerchief. Mussolini picked it up and asked for it as a souvenir. The King refused saying, "My handkerchief is the only place I am allowed to stick my nose in."

Dr. C. J. Tinsley of Australia at the last session of the Baptist World Alliance said: "Whenever a church ceases to convert, it ceases to grow; we must either evangelize or fossilize; we must become a missionary force or we will become a missionary field."

According to the German representatives at the BWA the plight of German Baptists is indescribably bad. Every city except 3 has much bomb damage, the people are hungry, the children pale and apathetic, the youth spiritless. German Baptists lost more heavily in proportion than any others.

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Mrs. G. W. Harrison, Jr., G. A. Counselor of Grenada, recently visited the Baptist Building. She was accompanied by 3 groups of girls from Calhoun county and one group from Grenada county; a total of 29. Counselors accompanying Mrs. Harrison were Mrs. W. H. Daniels, Vardaman; Mrs. Spratlin Hulett, Bruce; Miss Mable Gaston, Calhoun City; and Mrs. W. H. Sarton, who was also the bus driver.

Woman's Missionary Union

President—Mrs. Whma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson

CAMP GARAYWA

1947 ROYAL AMBASSADOR CAMPS
Under the direction of Mr. Clifford Goare, student at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Royal Ambassadors of Mississippi enjoyed six wonderful weeks at Camp Garaywa. The weeks of May 26 through July 5 were set aside for R. A. camps. These days were packed full of fun for the fellows, as well as helpful experience in Mission Study Classes, ranking periods, and fellowship with the missionaries from home and foreign fields. As well as receiving inspiration and help at Garaywa, these campers contributed immensely to the completion and improvement of the camp itself.

The 660 campers from the eight districts are as follows:

District	Campers	Churches Represented
I	159	25
II	98	19
III	42	10
IV	40	16
V	74	12
VI	103	21
VII	102	22
VIII	14	3
Total	642	128
College Counselors	18	
Grand total	660	

In response to the opportunity to share with those who need, the Royal Ambassadors gave \$224.89 to the Camp Mission Offering. A small per cent

of this offering was applied to purchasing a moving picture projector for Camp Garaywa. The remainder was given for world relief, and was carried to Europe by Miss Edwina Robinson to be personally distributed in places of great need.

Outstanding guests and missionaries were present to enlarge the vision of these promising leaders of tomorrow. Mr. Gilbert Gima, Japanese Hawaiian student at Harding-Simmons University, Abilene, Texas, was with the boys for five weeks. Two other Nationals were present: David Gomes, Brazil, and Walter Jacobi, German-Jew from Brazil. The southwide R. A. Secretary, Mr. Ivyloy Bishop, was at Garaywa for the Int. R. A. camp, and conducted the Recognition Service during Open House, June 5. The unusually fine group of missionaries consisted of the following: Dr. J. C. Poole, Africa; Dr. Henry Turlington, appointee to China; Rev. John Parker, Chile; Dr. John D. Freeman, Rural Department of the Home Mission Board, and Rev. Lewis Hancock, Oklahoma, Home Mission Board Indian Missionary.

To tabulate the results of these six weeks would be impossible, but mention should be made of the large number who made definite decisions for Christ while at camp. More than 35 accepted Christ as Savior, and others answered the call for special service. The mission of Camp Garaywa is MISSIONS. Pray with us that this objective may be accomplished in His name.

Changes Among The Churches

By Rev. Leon V. Young, Clinton, Miss.
CALLED AND ACCEPTED

Lawrence W. Bradley, Orchard Knob, Atlanta, Georgia from Chaplaincy.
James M. Windham, Maryville, Tennessee from Thomaston.

J. M. Riley, Wells Point, Texas from Caddo Mills.

David Crow, Westbrook, Texas.

E. L. Vance, Lyford, Texas from Second, Goose Creek.

Garnett E. Puckett, Attalla, Alabama.
Joe Morris, Calvary, Richmond, California.

John Seay, South Sacramento, California from Grass Valley.

L. H. Wuldrup, Arvin, California from Taff.

C. H. Muxworthy, Oil City, La.

J. M. Greer, Harkinsville, Georgia.

C. R. Hington, City View Church, Greenville, South Carolina from Albemarle, North Carolina.

Wayne Britton, Decker Church, Waco, Texas.

Woodrow W. Nesbit, Houmont Park, Houston, Texas.

Thomas J. Reeves, Sylvania, Texas from Sharon.

L. R. Meadows, Sharon Texas from Copeland.

W. Herschel Ford, First, El Paso, Texas from Atlanta, Georgia.

Charles E. Wyatt, Morgan's Point, Houston, Texas.

Earl Blankenship, Farrington, Texas.
Lee R. Harris, Normangee, Texas.

J. T. Lucas, Wilberton, Okla.
Ed Aesup, Mustang, Okla., from Carney.

Willis Howard, First, Columbia, South Carolina from First, Oklahoma, City.

W. T. Holstead, Broad Creek Church, Norfolk, Virginia from Lake City, Fla.

I am calling a meeting of all pastors, clerks and treasurers of Baptist churches of Lawrence County association to meet at Monticello Baptist Church on Fifth Sunday afternoon, Aug. 31 at three o'clock in the afternoon to consider some denominational work that all of us are interested in.—B. E. PHILLIPS, Moderator.

The Lord's Spirit led in a wonderful way during the revival at the Ashland Church, C. H. Frye, pastor, which began July 4 and ended July 11. Dr. E. D. Elliott, pastor of the First Church, Greenville, Mississippi, was the evangelist. His messages were warm and scriptural. Eleven were received for baptism. The music was under the direction of Rev. W. A. Frye, pastor of the First Church, Venus, Texas.

Oak Grove Church, Calhoun County, reports a good meeting in which Rev. H. J. Bennett served as evangelist. There were 26 additions with 15 of them for baptism. Rev. A. F. Brasher is pastor.—Reporter.

There were 20 additions in the revival at Stringer Church. Rev. Bob Barnette of Fort Worth, Texas, did the preaching. Prayer groups met before each evening service. Rev. S. E. Nix is pastor.—Reporter.

Rev. E. R. Anderson has resigned the Fayette Church effective September first in order to accept the pastorate of Long Beach Church. Fayette Church has full time services and has a furnished pastor's home. There are 170 members with an average attendance in Sunday School of 60. The church is interested in securing a pastor and inquiries may be addressed to E. L. Hobby, Fayette, Mississippi. Mr. Hobby is chairman of the pulpit committee.

State Evangelist B. H. Benton assisted Pastor G. O. Parker in a revival at Poplar Springs Church, Simpson County. There were 20 received on profession of faith and 12 by letter.



Mr. Harold Blakeney has accepted the position as music director of Providence Church, Forrest County.

He attended Mississippi Southern College, Hattiesburg, Miss., and has been an active member in all phases of church work. He is a member of the Radio Hour Quartet of Main Street Baptist Church, Hattiesburg.

The new worker and the church people face the future with great enthusiasm.

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Dr. E. D. Head, president, Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, and Dr. L. R. Elliott, librarian of Southwestern Seminary, are both recovering from recent major operations.

In the recent revival at Agricola with Rev. Solmie I. Smith of Stonewall doing the preaching there were six professions of faith and one addition by letter. At the Sunday evening service when the evangelist preached on tithing. There were 54 who signed the Tither's Covenant.—G. L. Taylor, pastor.

New Hope Church, Neshoba County, organized a Training Union on August 3 with 56 members. Pastor W. B. Boatner reports that this is the first time the church has had a Training Union with all departments.

Rev. W. C. Howard of Water Valley preaching during the revival at Houka. There were 15 additions by baptism and four by letter. This is the third time the Rev. Howard has assisted Pastor S. P. Andrews in the revival at Houka.

Rev. Albert Joquin, a college and seminary graduate has resigned his work in Texas and is available for a pastorate wherever the Lord may lead. He has had several years' experience and is a forceful preacher as well as a wise leader. Some church will do well to use this talented man of God. He may be reached at 274 Ell Street, Macon, Georgia. (E. S.)

Toulminville Church, Mobile, Alabama, of which Dr. Chas. L. McKay is pastor, has completed half of the first unit in their building program. The new plant will cost \$200,000 and plans are to be in the three story educational building by December. The cost of this unit is approximately \$100,000.

Baldwyn Sunday School had a record attendance on July 20 with 312 present. The goal had been 100 per cent attendance and this was surpassed. This came during the revival services in which Pastor Robert L. Palmer did the preaching and Ray N. Duckworth of Oklahoma City led the music. There were ten additions by baptism and six by letter.

Rev. J. E. Albritton of Plateau Church, Plateau, Alabama, was the guest preacher in the revival at Ebenezer Church, Jefferson Davis County. R. E. McDonald is pastor of Ebenezer Church.

The following were visitors to the Baptist Record Office recently: Vera Anderson, Sardis; Betty Jean Youngblood, Sardis; Connie Littlejohn, Sardis; Mildred Hawkins, Sardis; Joyce Dorr, Sardis; Loyce Dorr, Sardis; Loyette Ann Garner, Sardis; Marilyn Ann Mizell, Sardis; Bobbie Merle Johnson, Sardis; Emily Lorine Price, Sardis; Mrs. Horace Headrick, Laurel; B. T. Robbins, Ellisville; Mrs. J. Stanley Robbins, Ellisville; M. Y. Miley, Polkville; Robert Moore, Clinton.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

August 17, 1947

Church	S.S.	T.U.
Crystal Springs	588	104
Laurel, West	394	96
Hattiesburg, Fifth Ave.	428	153
Jackson, First	985	283
Jackson, Calvary	1,307	276
Including mission	1,339	307
Jackson, North Side	252	61
Jackson, South Side	126	102
Jackson, Davis Memorial	245	74
Jackson, Van Winkle	231	149
Jackson, Midway	88	58
Linwood, Neshoba Co.	93	
O'Tuckolofa, Yalobusha Co.	68	
Jackson, Griffith Memorial	362	172
Cross Roads, Webster Co.	69	54
McComb, East	384	189
Antioch, Lawrence Co.	35	
Brooklyn	81	61
Agricola	93	103
Lucedale	262	100
Laurel, Beacon	189	83
Hattiesburg, Main St.	730	215
Gulfport, First	402	98
Batesville, First	183	40
Darling	59	27
Rocky Springs, Yazoo Co.	27	
Centreville	133	28
Houlka	103	43
Brookhaven, First	655	129
Oloh, Marion Co.	113	131
Wellmon, Lincoln Co.	72	79
Friendship, Pike Co.	130	85
Glenfield, Union Co.	94	89
Center, Union Co.	184	77
Booneville	247	98
New Albany First	492	161
Inc. North Side Mission	520	

August 10, 1947

Darling	63	38
Soso	128	124
Centreville	150	33
Antioch, Lawrence Co.	66	
Gulfport, First	263	112
Hattiesburg, Main Street	627	255
Brooklyn	22	61
Charleston	148	79
Enon, Panola Co.	68	70
McComb, East	339	172
Booneville, First	243	89
New Albany	446	148
New Albany, including North Side Mission	471	
West Point, First	352	85
Batesville, First	199	35
Brookhaven, First	689	129
Oak Grove, Calhoun Co.	86	55
Pascagoula, First	565	190
Friendship, Pike Co.	135	100
Cross Roads, Webster Co.	102	76
Wallerville	108	
Lucedale	187	92
Jackson, Griffith Memorial	353	172
Ellison Ridge, Winston Co.	135	125

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Irene Chapel Church, a new church of Hattiesburg, held a Vacation Bible School with Miss Beatrice Walley serving as Principal. There were 73 enrolled and an average attendance of 62. Held simultaneously were revival services in which Pastor C. S. Smith did the preaching. There were 42 additions, 33 of whom came for baptism. Mrs. Smith, wife of the pastor, served as pianist. The church was organized in March with 19 at the organization meeting. There are now 69 members. Services are held every Sunday afternoon with Sunday School at 3:00 and worship service at 4:00. An army chapel has been supplied, but in the meantime the church is worshipping in a temporary building.

Rev. T. L. Adams, evangelist of Jackson, assisted Pastor Lee Carter in a revival at Pearl Hill Church, Leake County, recently. There were 16 conversions, one addition on statement and five by letter.

From the Baptist Bulletin Service we learn that beginning with the September issues a modernized church bulletin with the two outside pages printed in colors will be available. The attractive front cover page invites members of the congregation to read their bulletin appreciatively. Informative material is placed in hands of church people and the two inside pages are left blank for printing or mimeographing local church news. The cost is 75 cents per hundred.—C. E. Bryant, Nashville, Tenn.



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GULF COAST ASSOCIATION ENDORSES BROTHERHOOD NEWS

The Brotherhood Secretary had the privilege and honor of speaking on July 29 to the men of the Gulf Coast Associational Brotherhood and presenting to them copies of the **Brotherhood News**. They voted as an association to sponsor the idea of placing the **News** in every Brotherhood and into the hands of every man in every Brotherhood. Several other individual churches have done likewise. How about doing the same for your men? The officers of this Brotherhood are: O. H. Longcoy, Biloxi, president; R. O. Bickerstaff, Gulfport, attendance vice-president; Robert B. Camp, Fernwood, program

vice-president; and Rufus Carter, Handsboro, secretary and treasurer.

Layman's Day

One of the greatest days in the year for a Baptist Church should be **Layman's Day**, October 12. The Brotherhood Secretary would like to suggest that you men in your regular Brotherhood meeting discuss this matter with your pastor and ask him to observe that day in a very fitting manner. Likely he will be glad to turn over at least one of the services to you men and let you fill or you might get him to secure an outstanding layman the pulpit for one service. It is our hope that you will make much of this day.

Clergy Warned Against Politicians

HARRISBURG, Pa.—(RNS)—Politicians who hold high places on official church boards are influencing the stand of churches on public issues to the detriment of the public welfare, John E. Peters, independent Republican candidate for mayor of Harrisburg, charged in a recent speech here.

Most ministers, Peters said, are not interested in politics, but "the politicians are interested in the affairs of the church. They secure high offices in the church; . . . they attempt to influence church activities."

Peters urged ministers to free themselves from "the restraining hands of the hypocrites in your congregation."

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ELDON PEVEY ORDAINED IN MONTICELLO CHURCH

Eldon Pevey was ordained to the ministry at the Monticello Baptist Church on July 6, 1947. Rev. W. O. Carter preached the ordination sermon and Pastor D. O. Horne presented the Bible and led in the prayer. Deacon T. C. McCullough gave the charge to the young preacher.

The presbytery which examined the candidate was composed of W. O. Carter of Silver Creek, M. C. Nelson, W. A. Davis and D. O. Horne of Monticello. He is the third preacher to be ordained during the 18 years of Pastor Horne's service in this city. The others are E. E. Hedgepeth and Roe Wilson.

Having recently completed two years at Clarke College, Rev. Pevey is now a student at Mississippi College. He has been called as pastor of the Antioch Baptist church in Lawrence county. Pastor Horne states that another church desiring half time work would do well to get in touch with him.

RESOLUTION OF LENA CHURCH

WHEREAS, Brother and Mrs. A. A. Ward have faithfully, loyally and efficiently served us these past seven years, and

WHEREAS, Brother and Mrs. Ward have built up all of our church organizations, and

WHEREAS, The Lena Baptist Church owes them a great debt of gratitude and love,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Lena Church express to them our sincere thanks and deep appreciation for their faithful and loyal service, and their untiring efforts in serving us.

2. That they may know how much they have meant to our church in serving us humbly and loyally these many years.

3. That we shall never forget their work, and their patient and faithful leadership among us.

4. That our church has been blessed, our individual lives have been made richer and our spiritual outlook deepened by their labors among us.

5. That our prayers, good wishes, friendship and love go with them in their new field of work.

6. That we wish for them always good health, great happiness, prosperity and an abundance of God's blessings. May their new field mean much in God's kingdom work.

May God bless and keep you always. Respectfully submitted,

H. G. TREST,
W. M. BELL,

MRS. R. W. WESTCOTT,

Committee.

That a copy be spread on the minute books of this church; a copy be given Brother and Mrs. Ward and a copy be sent the Baptist Record.

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Center Ridge Church, Yazoo County, had a good revival which began June 30 and continued for two weeks. Rev. Mayo Brown is pastor. Miss Bernelle Martin of Jackson served as principal of the school. Other workers were Mrs. John Carley, Mrs. Aaron Carley, Mrs. Martin Maynor, Mrs. S. Kennison, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Clarence Forsythe. There were 58 enrolled and an average attendance of 30. The school had a picnic on July 4th. The church expects to have the new church completed in time for the revival in August.—Mrs. R. O. Richards.

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1947 ASSOCIATIONAL MEETINGS

De Soto Association	Trinity Baptist Church
Grenada Association	Holcomb Baptist Church
Alcorn Association	Love Joy Baptist Church
Benton Association	Flat Rock Baptist Church
Lafayette Association	Yellow Leaf Baptist Church
Monroe Association	Becker Church
Tippah Association	Concord Baptist Church
Lee Association	Plantersville Bap. Church
Marshall Association	Holly Springs Bap. Church
Yalobusha Association	Tillatoba Baptist Church
Chickasaw Association	Houlka, Sept. 11
Chickasaw Association	Arbor Grove,
Union County Association	Pleasant Ridge, 16th
Union County Association	Martin
Calhoun Association	Calhoun City, First Church
Panola Association	Curtis Baptist Church
Jasper Association	Stringer Baptist Church
Carroll Association	Hickory Grove Church
Zion Association	Monta Vista Church
Madison Association	Canton, First Bap. Church
Oktibbeha County Ass'n.	Adaton Church
Kemper Association	Scooba Church
Perry Association	Good Hope Baptist Church
Tallahatchie Association	Phillip Baptist Church
Choctaw Association	Beulah Baptist Church
Clay Association	West Point, First Bap. Ch.
Jackson Association	East Side Baptist Church
Lawrence Association	Old Silver Creek Bap. Ch.
Prentiss Association	Piney Grove Baptist Ch.
Tishomingo Association	Golden Central Church
Rankin Association	Barefoot Springs Church
Holmes Association	Antioch Baptist Church
Neshoba Association	Pearl Valley Church
Pearl River Association	Juniper Grove Church
Covington Association	Leaf River Church
Tate Association	Tyro Baptist Church
Winston Association	Gum Branch Baptist Ch.
George Association	Lucedale Baptist Church
Itawamba Association	Pleasant Ridge Church
Leake Association	Sun Rise Baptist Church
LeFlore Association	Itta Bena Church
Mississippi Association	East Fork Baptist Church
Clarke Association	Stonewall Baptist Church
Sunflower Association	Moorhead Baptist Church
Deer Creek Association	Belzoni Baptist Church
Bolivar Association	Interstate Church, Boyle
Lebanon Association	Brooklyn Baptist Church
Newton Association	Pinckney Church, Union
Walshall Association	Union Baptist Church
Smith Association	Shady Grove Baptist Ch.
Attala Association	Kosciusko, Second Church
Hinds-Warren Association	Jackson, Southside Church
Lauderdale Association	Meridian, Highland Church
Marion Association	Foxworth Baptist Church
Pontotoc Association	Algoma Baptist Church
Riverside Association	Jonestown Baptist Church
Scott Association	Jerusalem Church, Ludlow
Union Association	Fayette Baptist Church
Jeff Davis Association	Oak Grove Baptist Church
Lincoln Association	Mt. Zion Baptist Church
Pike Association	Fernwood Church
Adams-Franklin Ass'n.	Lucien Baptist Church
New Choctaw Association	Mt. Zion Baptist Church
Jones Association	Sharon Baptist Church
Montgomery Association	Bethlehem Baptist Church
Simpson Association	Dry Creek Baptist Church
Gulf Coast Association	Long Beach Baptist Church
Columbus Association	Columbus, East End
Copiah Association	Sardis Baptist Church
Greene Association	Pleasant Hill Church
Noxubee Association	Ruhama Baptist Church
Yazoo Association	Benton Baptist Church
Wayne Association	Clara Baptist Church
Liberty Association	(No Report)

RIPLEY VBS

Ripley has just concluded its first completely Baptist Vacation Bible School. Previously, it had been necessary to join other churches, or so it seemed, to have a school. The work had outgrown such an arrangement and this year the Baptist church conducted its own school. There were 147 enrolled, and the school had an average daily attendance of 119.5. The school continued through two weeks, and was graded Grade A. by the standard provided by our Sunday School Board. There were 89 pupils having perfect attendance record for the school period of two weeks.

34 Added In Soso Revival

The Soso Baptist Church has just closed a most wonderful revival, held August 3-8. The visiting preacher was Pete Evans of Union; the pastor, John L. Gilbert led the singing; Miss Geneva Davis, Jackson, worked with the young people, in addition to rendering several solos. The visible results were 34 additions, 26 of which were by baptism.

The revival was preceded by a Vacation Bible School, July 20-25, with an average attendance of 105. Miss Rennie Vee Sanderson, a student from Louisiana College, Pineville, La., was the principal.



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Dr. W. A. Bell, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, is the State BSU Pastor-Advisor. It is his privilege to promote the good influences of BSU among Mississippi Baptist pastors and churches. Pray for him.

POTPOURRI

A prehistoric skeleton with the legs wrapped around the neck has been unearthed. A hunt for the occupant of the lower berth now gets underway.—Jackson Daily News. we have . . . produced the comic book as the symbol of our cultural epoch . . . Our increasing leisure has been wasted on futile efforts to stave off boredom by spending more and more money trying to get somebody to

TWENTY-EIGHT ADDED IN FIRST REVIVAL AT PAUL TRUITT CHURCH

The Paul Truitt Memorial Church, Clyde P. Jones, pastor, truly felt the hand of God working through His man, Rev. Robert G. Witty of Baptist Temple, Jacksonville, Florida. The meeting lasted through most of two weeks and added to the church twenty-eight members. The pastor baptized twenty-one in the pool of Southside Church, Jackson on Sunday afternoon, July 20. There are still others to be baptized.

Besides the twenty-eight additions to the church, others were saved who lived out of the community. Some of these were already members of churches, but felt that they had not been really saved before. Getting unsaved church members saved is a hard task indeed, but the Rev. Witty met with this same success in former meetings held in Silver Springs church in 1946 and in Carson church in 1945.

This was the first revival meeting of the Paul Truitt Memorial Church, which is not yet a year old. The God-given increase brought the number of members to 103. Strenuous efforts of the church blessed by God have made possible the new building 40x80. Though the building is not completed it is being used at the present. It is the sincere desire of the church soon to join Mississippi Baptists in supporting Kingdom work.

amuse us. . . After centuries of misconduct we now have about five years in which to learn how to behave ourselves. But learning how to behave ourselves is the only defense against the atomic bomb. Other civilizations were destroyed by barbarians from without. We breed our own. . . It is useless to devote ourselves to great military preparations. As long as we have the atomic bomb, we do not need great military preparations. When other nations have it, these preparations will do us no good. Great military preparations are, in fact, dangers to us; for they serve to convince other nations that we are out to dominate the world.—Robert M. Hutchins. . . Let us be sure that always we have the right motive for giving, namely, our love of and gratitude to God. If we love God we shall give liberally. We shall give in proportion to our love for Him. . . The Miss. State BSU Fall Retreat is to be held at Natchez Trace Park. A committee at State is helping to organize an alumni club through which, it is hoped, a large part of the needed financial assistance for a full-time BSU Secretary for State's 1500 or so Baptist students will be obtained. . . Two strangers from Europe met in New York. "You spik de English, not so?" said one. "A few," said the other, "and thou?" said the first. "Small." . . . Another contribution to Co Griffin's expenses for the Hawaiian Mission brings the total to \$542.42. . .

SIX ADDED IN REVIVAL AT BETHEL

Bethel Church, Newton, had a very successful revival meeting that resulted in six additions, five by baptism and one by letter. One other made a profession.

Large crowds were in attendance and a renewed spirit is in evidence among the members.

Rev. Wayne E. Ward, pastor of the Fincheville church, Fincheville, Kentucky and student in the Southern Seminary at Louisville was the guest preacher.

A complete program is now in operation at Bethel with the recent organization of a Training Union and establishment of weekly prayer meetings.—CHARLES L. PHIPPS, Pastor.

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Baptists Hear Call For Spiritual Controls

COPENHAGEN —(RNS)— Prof. E. C. Rust, of Leeds University, England, speaking on science and religion at the Baptist World Congress here, stressed that a conflict between the two arises only when science is applied to areas "outside its own sphere." He was critical of scientific humanism "because it denies the divine in human life."

"In this atomic age," he said, "more moral and spiritual controls are necessary. We need new men and only religion can give us new men. We need a faith in God because science can give us only the means, not the end."

Chattanooga Man Does City Mission Work In Brookhaven

Near the close of 1945 A. Marvin Sanders of Chattanooga, Tennessee, surrendered to preach. We went "From Prize-ring to Pulpit," according to Dr. W. Lan-



don Miller, pastor of First Church, Brookhaven, whose associate he became in July.

Forced by circumstances during the depression and the death of his father, Mr. Sanders stopped school to go into business. The business flourished. Interested in boxing he fought professionally for a while.

When Mr. Sanders surrendered to the ministry he went back to school. Accepting the pastorate of Sale Creek Church while in school, the church grew in one year from eight members to 175. Today the Sunday School has an average attendance of 150.

At Brookhaven Mr. Sanders is serving as Director of the City Mission program of First Church. The first chapel is "Calvary Baptist Chapel" and has been erected on Hamilton Street. The first services were held there on July 13.

The Rev. Sanders has a wife and a five year old son, Douglas. First Church, Brookhaven, has received more than 100 into the church family in the two months' ministry of Dr. Miller, and attendance at all services increases week by week.

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WARNS CHURCH AGAINST NEGLECTING EVANGELISM

BUFFALO, N.Y. —(RNS)— The Christian Church faces the danger of becoming "so intent upon the institutional phases of its life that the ultimate objective—winning men and women to Christ—will go undone," the Rev. Spencer F. Austin of Indianapolis, national director of evangelism for the United Christian Missionary Society, declared here.

Speaking at the International Convention of Disciples of Christ, Mr. Austin cited statistics to prove his point. The 1943 Disciples Year Book showed that one out of every five local churches listed no baptisms the previous year, he said.

"When the Church of Christ takes witnessing seriously it will begin to increase by multiplication rather than by addition," he said.

"Let us be under no delusions. Successful evangelism is hard work and whether it be a revival meeting, a visitation campaign or a program of educational evangelism it demands careful, prayerful and rigorous participation by the majority of the church membership."

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THE \$64 ANSWER

When D. L. Moody was in Glasgow, he was conducting a question meeting with about 5,000 present.

One question was: "Are there any verses in the Bible against the use of tobacco?"

Moody pondered a moment, then said: "No, but I can give you one in favor of it."

The audience gasped and he continued, "He that is filthy, let him be filthy still." (Rev. 22:11)—From the Lighted Pathway.—Baptist Review.

"Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."—Proverbs 20:1.



Department of Church Music

LUTHER A. HARRISON, Secretary

State Music Convention

Plans are well under way for our State Music Convention, October 3rd and 4th, 1947, at the First Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi. Our Convention meets one week before the State Fair.

Mayke your reservations at the Robert E. Lee, Heidelberg, Walthall or Edwards Hotels now. You will have no difficulty if you make them early.

A great program has been planned for this year using as our theme, "Reaching the Multitudes Through Music." Forty-three Training Union Ensembles will sing on the first day's program. One hundred fifty Brotherhood Quartets will sing at the night service on the first day of the convention. The Sunday School Hymn players will compete for State honors on Saturday, the second day of the Convention. Make your plans now. Do not miss this gathering of our musicians.

Many Music Schools Reported

We are receiving reports each week of schools of music taught by our summer field workers and others. Many of these are excellent reports.

Two New Music Pamphlets

We have two new pamphlets from our Southwide Music office in Nashville: "Developing the Church Music Program" and "Expanding the Church Music Program." If you do not have these they are free and a penny postal card with your request will get them on their way to a potential user and doer.

September Is Junior and Intermediate Choir Organization Time

While you are getting the boys and girls ready for their return to school, and when churches are talking about fall programs, do not forget that this is the ideal time for starting those younger choirs. Do you want to know more about these? "Programs and Materials for Graded Choirs" by C. A. Holcomb are available now for 50c at our office, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi.

Expanding the Music Ministry

1. A Music Director
Every church should elect a director for the music program of the church.
2. Congregational Singing.
A good church music program is characterized by fine congregational singing. Let the people sing. Help them sing.
3. Choirs
Each church should have more than one choir. If you have Juniors, Intermediates, Young People, and Adults, more than one choir is needed.
4. Pianists and Organists
It is well to have a system in operation which will train pianists and organists for present and future service to the church.
5. Church Orchestras
Most churches have a few instruments that could be used in an Instrumental Ensemble. Some have enough talent and leaders for an orchestra.
6. Music Classes
Every church needs classes in church music. Have a school or a class during your study courses.

Department Of Temperance Activities

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MERLE WALLEY, Office Secretary

Through this column and otherwise, we have been endeavoring to promote the work of the Christian Citizens' League. This organization has proven itself worthy already in the elections. In the counties where there were active Christian Citizens' Leagues, the liquor crowd was either snowed under completely or greatly weakened. We have heard from a number of counties and in several of them the results were far greater than we had anticipated.

It is not difficult to see that the forces of evil are well organized and financed. In the election of public officials they go together and pool their strength. We cannot hope to

overcome them and succeed with a program for civic righteousness unless and until we organize. It is most important that the Christian forces work fast and effectively now with our representatives who are to make our laws, lest haply they repeal our liquor laws and legalize hard liquor in the state. Let us not sleep over our rights and then regret that we did not do our best when we could.

Many of our Christian people vote blindly. No Christians should vote for any man until they know he is dry. Check them carefully before casting your ballot on August 26, especially the senators, representatives and law enforcement officers.

Mississippi College Paragraphs

By D. M. Nelson, President

We are making another supreme effort to accommodate as many as possible of the young people who want to come to Mississippi College. All of the facilities except the living quarters for girls will be taxed to the limit. The Jennings Hall and the two new Residence Halls which will be ready for occupancy September 8th will provide ample and comfortable living space for our daughters.

Chrestman Hall, Ratliff Hall and the rooms in the Gymnasium are all full—too full. We need right now another Residence Hall for young men. We hope to see one beginning to rise before the end of the session 1947-48.

Our greatest congestion is still in classroom and auditorium space. This cannot be relieved until funds are available for the completion of these buildings which are so well on the way. A little effort by many of our people would bring victory. These much needed buildings ought to be made ready for use by the first of the year.

The Clinton Church and the Clinton people have just gone the third mile. When the movement was begun they responded with cash and pledges of \$15,000. Then later an item for the Enlargement Program of Mississippi College was set up in the budget. Then came the third mile when on Sunday, August 3rd, led by Pastor Kennedy the Clinton Baptist Church observed "Mississippi College Day." The amount contributed has gone beyond the \$3,900 figure with more coming. Such devotion and loyalty of those under the shadow of our great college may spill over and cause others to go and do likewise.

We read with pleasure the announcement of President Rouse in last week's Baptist Record that Mississippi Woman's College had been made ready for opening on September 9th. He is to be congratulated on this splendid achievement. We wish for him, his faculty, his Board of Trustees and all of the friends of the Mississippi Woman's College a happy and successful session. The need is not for fewer Christian colleges but for more if our people will give them proper support. It may come to pass that in order to maintain our Baptist position and perpetuate our beliefs

and doctrines, we shall have to invade again the field of Secondary Education. Our Catholic friends are already in this field in force.

Whatever the number or kind of schools and colleges Mississippi Baptists decide to establish and operate, one thing is certain, they must be of first rank. To be otherwise means failure. To permit it to be otherwise is a reflection upon a great people with almost limitless tangible and intangible resources. We are constantly reminded that we have as competitor a great system of tax supported institutions of learning. To survive, we must not only place the emphasis where they cannot, namely upon spiritual values and Christian faith and practice, but at the same time offer physical facilities and academic opportunities comparable with the best available.

Our own Mississippi College continues to have high rating with the standardizing agencies. Since 1922 it has been a member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary School and since 1937 it has been on the approved list of the Association of American Universities which is the national standardizing agency. Only five others of our Southern Baptists institutions of higher learning enjoy this national recognition. These are Furman, Howard, Mercer, Richmond, and Wake Forest.

Those of us who are close to the educational work of our denomination cannot but be concerned over the fact that Baptists, North and South, do not have one full fledged, fully accredited university where their young people can go from college for graduate and professional work. There are a few that go by the name. To call an institution a university does not, of course, make it one. Chicago began as a Baptist University, but has sold its birthright. Brown University after a glorious history under Baptist auspices has severed with its denominational founder and sponsor and now even has a distinguished Methodist scholar as president.

Southern Baptists had a golden opportunity in the early twenties of having a real university strategically located. George Washington University, the inspiration of Luther Rice, under the very shadow of the National Capitol, was offered to our people, free of charge and free from debt. But the devil got busy as is his custom in every forward movement

[Grace Brame Circle]



The young matron's circle was organized at the beginning of the current W. M. U. year. There are now 31 members. Circle leader is Mrs. L. A. White and the circle is named for Mrs. Grace Brame, wife of Dr. Brame, pastor.

The picture was made at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Brame. Mrs. Charles Dean of Jackson was guest speaker at this meeting. Mr. L. C. White had the picture made and is having it put in the Baptist Record as a surprise for the circle.

Those pictured above are Dr. and Mrs.

Brame, Mrs. White, Mr. White, Mesdames Doris Caperton, Mildred Rodgers, Ruby Evans, Moselle Davis, Loraine Burns, Ruth Williams, Julia Patrick, Thelma Finley, Doris McCormick, Carol Dittmer, Lois Johnson, Glenda Revels, Mary Sudduth, Bertha Taylor, Jean Paine, Margie Smith, Janet Wilkinson, Louise Parker, LeNell Trussell, Wesie Poe, Evelyn Jones, Polly Kerr, Dorris Neeley, Nettie Lamons, Dorris Griffiths, Martha Tullus, Orene Aultman, Jodie Melton.

Those unable to be present were Mesdames Dorothy Kelly, Vivian Wasser, Ruby Green and Catherine Russell.

Rushing Reports From Laurel

The revival begins in our church August 24th and will continue for ten days or longer. Dr. Ira Cole, Evangelist of Memphis, Tenn., will be our revival preacher. The singing will be led by Rev. W. W. Grafton of Booneville, Arkansas. We will welcome all who will come our way for these services and request the prayers of people every where as we engage in these services.

It was my privilege to be with the Sandersville Church, Jones county, in a revival recently. The Pastor, Rev. M. C. Therrell was in the hospital at the time but we had a good week. There were six professions of faith most of them adults. Bro. Smith of near Picayune was in charge of the singing and did a splendid job.

August 4-8 I was in Tate County Association with the Looxahoma church and Pastor Marvin Huffstatler in a series of revival services. Good crowds, splendid interest there in spite of the election, dry, hot weather and other things. There were six professions of faith and two additions to the church by letter.

The West Laurel Church really pounded this preacher and his family on August 9th. They invited us into the Junior Department of the church where a program of song and prayer was engaged in and words of appre-

and effected division and defeated the movement. There were large groups who wanted the university all right, but each group wanted it located in its section of the country. Then there were others who became fearful that spending large sums of money for this purpose would subtract from the amounts flowing to the interests claiming their attention and devotion. So the opportunity for Southern Baptists to have a real university went by, maybe never to return.

OAK GROVE HAS BEST VBS IN HISTORY

Oak Grove Church, Shubuta, Rt. 2, had the best VBS in its history according to Pastor L. B. Simmons, who served as principal. Thirty-four children were enrolled and the attendance averaged 33.

Those assisting the pastor in the school were Mrs. John Hayes, Mrs. Arnold Broadhead, Mrs. Arthur Albritton, Mrs. Elbert Rhoden, Mrs. Earl Ivy, Mrs. S. S. Tyler, Mrs. C. A. Brock, and Mrs. Esther Copley.

Refreshments were served daily by Mrs. D. A. Brock, Mrs. D. Lane and Mrs. Ben Tyler.

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Hebron Baptist Church in Jones County has just had a very good and spiritual revival. There were twelve additions, five by letter and seven by profession of faith. We had great crowds and the Spirit of the Lord was with us in power each service. Rev. J. W. Cook, Jones County missionary, did the preaching. The singing was led by church choir leader, R. C. Meador. Mrs. Ikey Pickering of Laurel was in charge of the music.—T. E. Fant, Pastor.

Immanuel Church, Neshoba County, Rev. E. E. Fairchild, Jr., pastor, had a good Vacation Bible School in which 32 were enrolled. Mrs. Bridget Coghlan served as Principal and other workers were Mrs. Winnie Kelly, Mrs. Bertha Whittington, Mrs. Wesley Tew, Mrs. Homer Ingram, Mrs. Roy Coghlan and Mrs. Lester Coghlan.

The Tass News Agency has reported that there are more than 3,000 Baptist Churches in Russia and the membership is increasing.

ciation given to the pastor and family after which they invited us into the home where we found the dining table loaded down with good things. The ladies of the W.M.S. led out in it and we appreciate it much. These are a great people and this is a great church.—H. J. RUSHING.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary . . . Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi
Associates: Joe Abrams, Louise Hill, Clarice Conner, Alene Johnson

We issued 1,597 Training Union study course awards in Mississippi in the month of July. Was your church represented in that list? Has it been pastors and churches that have the most study courses say that a good study course is about the best tonic you can give an organization. Ours consist of so many interesting subjects, like Soul Winning, Church Membership, Stewardship, Doctrine, Missions, Denominational organization and work, Methods in Training Union, etc. We will be glad to send you a complete list of the books for all departments of Training Union upon request.

BIBLE READINGS

(1) Juniors (2) All Others
Sunday (1) Mark 11:12-19 (2) John 20:21-31
Monday (1) Mark 11:20-33. (2) John 3:1-13.
Tuesday (1) Mark 12:1-12. (2) Matt. 27:57-61; John 19:38.
Wednesday (1) Mark 12:13-27. (2) Luke 8:2; Matt. 15:39-40; Matt. 28:1.
Thursday (1) Mark 12:28-37. (2) Luke 24:13-23.
Friday (1) Mark 12:38-44 (2). Gal. 1:19; 1 Cor. 15:3-8.
Saturday — Sunday School Lessons.

We were interested in a recent bulletin of West Laurel church. Miss Booth, the Church Secretary, had in addition to getting out an attractive bulletin, mimeographed a news boy, calling out "extra". The paper was slit under the arm from hand up and inserted "under his arm" was the news! It was a cordial invitation to come to Training Union that night. Congratulations on this unique way of getting the message out.

WEST MACON ORGANIZES

Thanks to Mrs. L. A. Click of West Side Baptist Church, Macon, Miss., for a report on a newly organized union in their church. They start with a young people's union and a Junior union with the hope of a little later they can add the other units. Congratulations and best wishes.

TAKING WAYS

She took my hand in sheltered nooks
She took my candy and my books,
She took a lustrous wray of fur,
She took the gloves I bought for her.
She took my words of love and care,
She took my flowers rich and rare:
She took my ring with tender smile,
She took my time for quite awhile,
She took whatever I would buy—
And then she took another guy.
—Progressive Farmer

Chaplains Corps 172 Years Old

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(RNS)—The United States Army Corps of Chaplains recently marked its 172nd anniversary.

It was on July 29 in 1775 that the corps came into being. On that date the Continental Congress adopted a resolution providing that chaplains should receive \$20 monthly.

Maj. Gen. Luther D. Miller, Chief of Chaplains, issued the following statement in connection with the anniversary:

"I am deeply grateful to our chaplains for their splendid record of

WHAT IS IN THY HAND?

TOOLS OF GOD'S CRAFTMEN

Shamgar had an ox goad,
David had a sling,
Sampson had a jawbone,
Rahab had a string,
Dorcas had a needle,
Moses had a rod,
Mary had some ointment
And all were used for God.

—Copied

FIRST JACKSON UNION SPONSORS VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT AIR BASE

"What can we do as a Missionary project?" is sometimes asked by a union or one of the members. That is a big question, for opportunities are not always too easy to make but the Jackson First Church Training Union, under the leadership of Mrs. Causey who served as principal, conducted a Vacation Bible School at the Jackson Air Base. The report is that the school was a grand success. You may not have an air base near you but you do have nearby churches, white and colored who would welcome you if you came in the spirit of Christ. Contact some of their leaders including the pastor.

UNION CO. TO HAVE TRAINING UNION REVIVAL

The New Albany church will be host to the members of the other churches in Union county the week of August 24-29 in a Baptist Training Union Revival. There will be classes for all age groups, and in addition there will be classes for leaders. These classes will be taught by members of the State Training Union Department. H. H. Ward, Associational Missionary, Rev. J. R. Davis, pastor of the New Albany church, and Gordon Sather, Educational Director of the New Albany church have been hard at work getting things ready for this week. It is hoped that every church in the association will be represented each evening for the class work which starts at 7:00 o'clock.

Better be happy than rich! But you can be happy and rich, fact is if you are happy you are rich. The happiest people are those who are recognizing the Lord in their every day affairs. He is their constant associate. They listen to His voice in all matters, and rejoice to do his bidding in the matter of living and giving.

achievement during the recent world conflict. I am equally proud of their exemplary conduct and efficient performance under conditions oftentimes difficult and hazardous.

"The role of the Army Chaplain changes little with peacetime activities. The problems of morale and morality are ever present, calling for the utmost ability in counselling and spiritual guidance from the chaplains. It is a challenge which must be met with confidence and courage, prayer, and careful planning.

"May your prayers be lifted to Almighty God for the preservation and prosperity of the Chaplains Corps—for a successful ministry to the members of our armed forces."

Harmony, Clarke County, VBS Enrolls 55



Harmony church, Quitman, Rt. 3, reports a successful Vacation Bible School in which 55 were enrolled and an average attendance of 50 maintained.

The mission offering was designated for the Bus Fund of New Orleans Theological Seminary.

Mrs. L. B. Simmons served as principal and Pastor L. B. Simmons was in charge of handwork. Other workers were, Mrs. Louise Magee, Mrs. Dan Boney, Mrs. John Boney, Mrs. Mattie Hargrove, Mrs. O. B. Castle, Miss Minnie Brown, Mrs. Sherman Lewis, Mrs. Charles Brashier, Mrs. Austin Hill, and Mrs. Homer O'Neil.

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New Albany, First, Has Training Banquet

DR. McCALL IS SPEAKER

A very enjoyable evening was spent in the dining room of the First Church, New Albany, on July 1 when a Training Banquet was held for Sunday School Officers and Teachers under the direction of Gordon Sather, Assistant Pastor. Ninety-five people attended this meeting, 55 of whom hold a diploma in Sunday School work and the others had at least one Training Course or more.

Recent records reveal that our church ranks 11th among the 26,000 churches in the Southern Baptist Convention in Sunday School Training Courses and second in Mississippi with 341 awards.

At the banquet H. N. Graham, Superintendent of the Sunday School, was toastmaster. Music was rendered by Sarah Dillard and a reading was given by Evelyn Cruse. Dr. D. A. McCall, State Executive Secretary, was the guest speaker. He was introduced by the Rev. J. R. Davis, Pastor of the church.

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NESHOBA REVIVAL HELD

Dr. Fred B. Moseley, pastor of Lucedale Church, recently conducted the revival meeting at Neshoba, which resulted in eight professions of faith, one addition by letter, and two rededications. Furthermore, the church experienced a genuine revival in a splendid spiritual atmosphere.

The morning services were well attended and the auditorium was well filled at most of the night services. Dr. Moseley is a great pastor, organizer, and evangelist. The writer heartily recommends him to any church as an evangelist.—E. R. Pinson, pastor.

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Valden Church held its first Youth Revival during July. Dan Cameron of Mississippi College was the preacher, Miss Jean Dossett, pianist, and Claude Townsend, singer. There were 15 professions of faith and a number of rededications.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

By Rev. R. A. Eddleman

Pastor J. H. Hooks of First Church, Winona, will begin a meeting July 16, assisted by Evangelist S. C. Wolf of Dallas, Texas.

Brother C. L. Hargrove writes that West Corinth Church has had a great revival. There were 12 additions, ten by baptism.

J. A. Richardson, pastor at Forest, gets out a weekly church bulletin to serve local needs.

Dr. Venable has been compelled to discontinue the exposition of the Sunday School Lesson in the Baptist Record during the revival meeting period. We hope for their early resumption.

A successful Summer Normal for teachers closed Friday at Clinton. State Superintendent Bond says it was the best ever held in the state.

Pastor T. J. Moore reports a good revival in his church at Eden, Miss. He did his own preaching and Rev. John Sproles led the singing. There were five additions to the church.

Pastor W. A. Murray reports a fine meeting at Kiln, Miss., and a great baptizing in the Jordan River. He was assisted by Dr. Theo Whitfield of Gulfport. Twenty-two were added to the church and 12 of them by baptism.

Pastor R. D. Stringer reports a good meeting at Northfield with 17 additions to the church. The meeting lasted ten days. Dr. King is to be with him in another meeting Bogue Chitto, Miss., first Sunday and week following in July.

YOUTH REVIVAL HELD IN LOUISVILLE CHURCH

Sunday, July 27, brought to a close seven days of intensive evangelistic effort with particular emphasis upon youth. A party of young people, six in number, composed the evangelistic team. The preachers were: Earl Moody, Louisville; Bobby Simmons, Clarksdale; Wayne Coleman, Louisville, who also directed the music. Miss Annette Horne, Monticello, was a personal worker as was also Miss Barbara Loden, New Albany, now church secretary and director of music of the Louisville Baptist Church. Billy Day, Louisville, was the organist assisted by Miss Barbara Triplett, Louisville, at the Steinway Baby Grand.

Services were held twice daily, 6 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Personal visitation was engaged in by these young people jointly with local youth beginning at nine and lasting until noon daily. After the evening services forum discussions were held. Interspersing these services and meetings throughout the day were many and earnest prayer seasons. The whole program, in fact, was shot through and through with prayer.

There were six confessions of faith, three by letter, two surrendering for special Christian service, and thirty-six for rededication. The services were well attended, growing every day. We are grateful to God for these days and all the blessings that came through this consecrated group of young people.

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Miss Elizabeth Mooney, church secretary of Beacon Church, Laurel, reports that their Vacation Bible School was the best in the history of the church. There were 206 enrolled with an average attendance of 178. The missionary offering was given for Camp Garaywa. Pastor H. L. Courtney served as principal. A large group attended the commencement program at which time was displayed the hand work done by the students.

Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell

Lesson for August Twenty-Four

WISE WORDS CONCERNING HONESTY. II Samuel 24:18-25; Proverbs 3:3; 11:1,3; 12:17-22; 15:5; 23:10-11; Matthew 5:37.

I. Added Importance of Honesty. It always was important. Back in Bible times it was of an importance so tremendous that much space in the word of God is given to exhortations to the observance of the demands of it. But there are certain features of our modern civilization which make the observance of the principles of honesty of greatly enhanced importance.

The democratic constitution of society and government is one great reason. Honesty in speech—truthfulness in speech—is a prime necessity between man and man in any society where men meet and act as equals before the law. How can citizens vote intelligently if subjected to a mass of lying propaganda all the while? Again, the level of literacy has been raised decidedly within the past few centuries so that millions more people are reading now than ever before. These readers are largely informed by what they read. It is easy to see then that a lying press and books of false statements and arguments may ruin our civilization. It is important and immensely so that newspapers, magazines and the writers of books for the masses shall be honest and truthful in what they feed the minds of our people. There also is the radio. There are few homes in this broad land in which you do not now find a radio receiving set. The whole world listens to the things produced over the radio, and whatever is heard from the lips of men high in society, business or state, is largely believed by those who hear. It must be so. Under what a vast weight of responsibility lies the man or woman who presumes to speak over this system which broadcasts words to the literal ends of the earth.

II. David the True Worshiper. II Samuel 24:18-25. This is the story of the purchase by David of Araunah's threshing floor as the site of an altar unto Jehovah, and Araunah had proposed to give the threshing floor to David with the oxen that were working on it for a burnt offering and the threshing instruments and the ox yokes for the wood. David made answer that he would not sacrifice to his God anything which had cost him nothing. He would not offer his God an empty service. David would not have been a member of a church into the treasury of which he paid nothing, as long as he had anything to pay, into the service of which he paid no labor of hand or of heart. So David bought and paid for the threshing floor and reared an altar upon it and upon that altar offered his sacrifice to Jehovah. Apply the lesson to yourself, your church.

III. Advice Concerning Kindness, Truth, Honesty in Buying and Selling. 1. Positive. Prov. 3:3; 11:1. "Let not kindness and truth forsake thee". Kindness is akin to mercy and mercy is an attribute of God Himself. The kind man, the merciful man, is evermore the good man, the godly man. "Truth" in the heart is the element

Mississippi Calendar Of Prayer

August 25—Mrs. Annie C. Hodges, mailing department, Baptist Record.

August 26—Mrs. Anna Orutt, Blue Mountain College faculty; J. D. Tidwell, trustee, Clarke Memorial College.

August 27—Rev. Joe Hudson, Convention Board member, Jefferson Davis county.

August 28—R. L. Goodwin, Trustee, Baptist Orphanage.

August 29—Rev. J. R. Davis, Blue Mountain College Trustee.

August 30—Robert M. Ross, Trustee, Mississippi Woman's College.

August 31—Dr. Martha Mitchell, Mississippi College faculty.

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Christian's Weapon

The Word of God is quick, and powerful . . . piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit . . . and is a discernor of thoughts and intents of the heart. (Heb. 4:12.)

"And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts".—Galatians 5:24.

which, more than any other I at present recall, renders the character crystal clear. "A just weight is His (Jehovah's) 'delight'". This just means honesty in all business dealings, whether in buying or in selling, 36 inches to a yard, 16 ounces to a pound, the peck measure full to the brim, the gallon pot containing 231 cubic inches. 2. Negative. "A false balance is an abomination to Jehovah". He meets it with the righteous hatred of the God whose very character is honesty, and whose character is assailed by every act of conscious dishonesty performed by the one being whom He created in His own image. "The perverseness of the treacherous shall destroy him". And that is the course of all wickedness; it leads, it dupes to destruction. All those who walk the perverse ways are deceived by an appearance of good, which appearance turns in the end to a horrible reality of ruin and utter destruction. "A False witness" (showeth) "deceit". The false witness acts from what appears to him to be his best interest, without considering that, by his deception he tends to thwart the ends of justice, whether to save from punishment a guilty criminal or doom to death an innocent man. "There is that speaketh rashly like the piercing of a sword". A good man in my town once offered to me this criticism of another: "He indulges a lot of unguarded talk". "Unguarded talk" is rash talk, observations made without proper observation: a statement made without due investigation, claims made without sufficient foundation. IV. Admonition from Our Lord. Matthew 5:37. "Let your speech be, Yea, yea; Nay nay; and whatsoever is more than these is of the evil one". This is our Lord's warning against the wrong of swearing and the non-necessity of over-affirmation. When you have said a word, stick to that! "I put you on your honor", said a brash young man to an elder in the little town of Summit, years ago. With blazing eyes the old man replied, "I am on my honor, Sir! and I dare you to question it".

I got talking to a candidate this afternoon and I stopped him in his speech to ask him why he got onto dry ground instead of staying on the more familiar wet, and that between the primaries. If you could have heard his voluble calling of heaven and earth and all creation to witness, you would have been as disgusted as I was.

LINDA RUTH ROBINSON



Linda Ruth Robinson is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. W. A. (Bill) Robinson of Plant City, Fla. She is 16 months old. Her mother is the former Miss Maudine Phillips of Philadelphia, graduate of Blue Mountain College and the Training School at Louisville. Rev. Robinson is a native of Bluefield, W. Va. Mrs. L. N. Phillips of Philadelphia is the grandmother of Linda Ruth.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the deacons and members of the Daniel Baptist Church on and in behalf of said church deeply appreciate and recognizes the splendid and efficient services of our former and beloved pastor, Dr. C. S. Thomas, and his wife and

WHEREAS, we are cognizant that their departure will be keenly felt by our church and community, and

WHEREAS, we recognize that the three and one half years time they spent in our midst was spent in laboring for the church and serving God and humanity and that they were imbued with the spirit of Christ and imparted this spirit to all with whom they came in contact, and

WHEREAS, we feel that their activities and devotion will be keenly missed by our church and community.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Daniel Baptist Church does hereby express, through this resolution, our gratitude and appreciation for their services and activities.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Daniel Baptist Church and a copy be sent to Dr. and Mrs. C. S. Thomas and a copy furnished the press.

B. A. BOUTWELL,
A. CLINTON SMITH,
BILL SLAYMAKER,
Resolutions Committee.

KOSCIUSKO SECOND GAINS

Pastor David S. Homan was the preacher in the revival at the Second Baptist Church of Kosciusko, which is located in a rapidly growing area of that city. There were 18 additions, all save one coming on profession of faith. Pastor Homan has been serving this church for the past two years. He and Mrs. Homan are greatly appreciated by the community. The recent Vacation Bible school was a success.

Along with Mrs. Homan, this church will be represented at the Southern Baptist Training Union Week at Ridgecrest with eight people. Mrs. Homan will also lead in a vacation Bible School in the Springdale church in August.

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MRS. J. W. LEE

One of Batesville's most lovable Christian women passed on to her reward the night of July 12 in the Baptist Memorial Hospital at Memphis.

Last winter she had a heart attack from which she had recovered enough to be in her usual place in the church where her husband (beloved J. W. Lee) had been pastor nearly 40 years.

Friends and loved ones were overjoyed to have her back where she had been missed so much. Her motto was, "To weep with them that weep and rejoice with them that rejoice". This she lived up to magnificently. A niece voiced what many felt when she was brought home, "Auntie always understood when I told her my troubles or joys." Undertaking is a great Christian virtue. Another tribute to her Christian character was her love and hospitality to all who came in contact with her, or was blessed to be in her lovely home.

It can be truthfully said that another saint has gone marching home. The influence of her life will continue to linger in the hearts of the loved ones she left behind.

She is survived by her daughter, Eva Lee, and a son, Robert Lee, of Batesville, and a sister, Mrs. A. L. Emerson, Sr., of Hernando.—DORRIS BAILEY, reporter.

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Rev. B. Aaron Foy, pastor of New Augusta Church, was the evangelist in the revival at Oakland Grove Church, Jones County. Rev. J. M. Foy, pastor, writes there were eight professions of faith and two received from other churches. The music was directed by Mrs. Homer Blackledge.

Veterans training for the ministry number 3,437, according to a survey of 119 leading theological seminaries made by the Federal Council of Churches. The total enrollment in the seminaries studied has increased from 9,746 in 1940 to 14,001 this year—a gain of 44 per cent.—Clipped.

Help All Causes of Christ Through the Co-operative Program!

W. L. HOLCOMB SAYS:

"We are for the Co-operative Program because it is the most effective way we have discovered to finance God's work. It provides equitably for all the causes of Christ beyond the local church. Through this program we can give any amount, however small or great, with the assurance that we have a part in every cause supported by Baptists."

Our 1947 GOAL—\$1,000,000 through the Co-operative Program from Mississippi Baptists!

Mississippi Baptist Leaders At Home



Above are shown members of the family of Auber J. Wilds, Mississippi Baptist Training Union Secretary, as they gather around what is now the center-of-attraction, the first grandchild! Mrs. L. E. Wilds, who will be 87 years old on next January 7, Amos W. Marston, husband of Lucy Carleton

BY MARGIE P. MCCALL

When I was a senior at Ole Miss, I first knew Auber J. Wilds. He was the kind of church member who met the students at the door and made us feel like the church cared whether we attended or not. He was alert to sense spiritual interest in any study and lend every assistance to lead them to develop. Along with the great-hearted Landrum Leavell, who was Auber's "ideal Christian," he meant much to students. He led one Scotchie McCall, then an athlete at Ole Miss, into "trying out his wings", of leadership in the Oxford church in the B. Y. P. U. This was the beginning of a fast friendship that has been maintained through the years. It was "Auber J." who led the singing in the first revival conducted by the man who is now Mississippi Baptists' mission secretary. When converts began to come, it brought the young student preacher face to face with a real problem. He had never baptized anyone. With his usual practical help, "Auber J." served as the willing "subject" on whom the necessary practice was done to enable the minister to carry out the ordinance like a seasoned hand at the end of the meeting!

Mr. Wilds, a business man at Oxford during those days, soon sold his business and devoted full time to the Lord's work. He became Mississippi's Training Union in pioneer days. One who knows him paid tribute to Mr. Wilds when he said, "He has led the young people of Mississippi well. He has meant much to them. He has never influenced them into channels other than the best. He has never 'gone off at tangents' in his example before them."

Lucy Carleton followed in her father's footsteps and entered full time Christian work as assistant to him in Mississippi, after a successful college career at Blue Mountain. She was called back to her Alma Mater as B. S. U. secretary later and served there until she married. Mary D., the baby girl, now in high school, is also an interested worker, whose service counts effectively for the Lord's work in the home church and in the district and

Wilds, Mary D. Wilds, a high school student, and Mr. and Mrs. Wilds complete the family circle. In the picture below we see a picture of Mr. Wilds when he belonged to the first B. Y. P. U. at the Oxford Baptist church, and four generations of the family today.

state conventions. She is a talented musician.

Mrs. Wilds, the former Miss Mary Dent, is a native of Arkansas. Through the years she has been the inspiration of her husband's life. Their companionship and happy home is a model for youthful lovers to follow. Declaring that, "matches are made in heaven," Mr. Wilds believes "his Mary" was the one meant for him. The sight of such a union refreshes a world which hears from pen and platform that the "divorce evil" is one of the greatest blights in the land! A truly happy home in which love dwells is the Auber J. Wilds' house!

The Grandmother nearing her eighty-seventh birthday, still delights in doing "handwork" with her needle. Dainty garments for the babies and little dresses for the small children in many a poor home, have gone from Mother Wilds' skilled fingers.

The latest addition, now the "leading" member of the family is Lucy Carleton's baby. The husband, Amos Marston, is a successful educator of Iron Mountain, Michigan. He is a graduate of the famous Wheaton College in Illinois. Since Lucy Carleton has gone to Michigan to live she has learned to ski and enjoy many winter sports.

Mr. Wilds has been honored on several occasions by Mississippians. Friends wished to give him a trip to the Baptist World Alliance in Copenhagen in 1947, but he decided to stay on the job rather than going abroad this year.

Under his leadership Mississippi has done wonders in training.

This department of State Missions has proven most effective. Few men enjoy the confidence and genuine affection Auber J. Wilds does.

The credit for the success of his work must be shared by the faithful and loving companion who has kept the "home fires burning" through the years as she served loyally and effectively in her local church. Affectionately known as "Miss Mary" by many of the juniors she has led, only eternity will tell the extent of her ministry. The final accounting when all the books are

ANTIOCH PLANS HOME

The Antioch church in Rankin county has started work on a pastor's home. It will be a three bedroom, modern house, located in the vicinity of the church. The entire church and community are behind the project and believe in a short time the house will be ready to be dedicated. Roy Carter donated an old building to help in the construction of the new home. This gift was much appreciated. A Sunday school annex is next in the plan of development.

Antioch is approximately 130 years old. Many former members are scattered far and wide, who will be interested and who will desire to help financially. Donations may be sent by way of Baptist Headquarters in Jackson, designated for the building program of Antioch Church in Rankin county, or directly to Treasurer Jeff Winstead, Pelahatchie, Route 2. Pastor R. T. Liles of Clinton is happy over the future work, and the deacons and other leaders are enthusiastic as they labor to progress.

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LETTER FROM RIDGECREST

Beth Prim

The second BTU week is the biggest, when measured by numbers, that Ridgcrest Baptist Assembly has seen this summer. At least 2,400 Baptists are here from all parts of the South. The Ridgcrest staff has grown to about 300 people.

The new Ridgcrest dining room, which will cost a total of \$100,000 when finished, is used every day now since completed to a usable stage a week ago.

Miss Dorothy Mae Davis, San Antonio teacher and graduate of Mary Hardin-Baylor, won first place in the week's Speakers' Tournament. Her subject was, "A Christian's Conception of Education." Ralph T. Bryan, Phoenix, Arizona, spoke on "Making a Life," and won second place.

State winners also speaking in the southwide tournament were Martha Crume, Williamsburg, Ky.; (Miss) Charlie Curtis Smith, Fitzgerald, Ga.; Charlotte Thigpen, Memphis, Tennessee; Doris Cowen, Caruthersville, Mo.; and Lurline Sauls, McComb, Mississippi. The Speakers' Tournament was sponsored by Mr. R. Maines Rawls, secretary of Young People's Work, Training Union Department, Baptist Sunday School Board.

Joanne LeRoy, Florida, won first place in this week's intermediate sword drill. Sybil McKay, Jackson, Miss., won second place. Other state winners were Emily Helm, Ky.; Rose Peterson, Mo.; Bobbye Teachey, N. C., and Kenneth Wright, Midland, Texas.

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TORONTO —(RNS)— The Gideons are now placing Bibles in planes, it was disclosed at the 48th convention of the Canadian Gideons here. Eddie Rickenbacker, president of Eastern Airlines, has asked that Bibles be put on all planes of his company, and has provided racks for them, it was announced. Arrangements have also been made to furnish Pan American Airlines with Bibles.

opened at that Great Day will show in full what treasures the Wilds family laid up in Heaven!

(Note: This is the first of what we hope will prove to be a series of "Home Sketches" of Mississippi's Baptist leaders. As State Mission days approach, readers can rejoice in their share of the blessings scattered over the world by their workers at Headquarters.—Editor.)

SHEARIN ASSISTS DEITZ IN HICKORY REVIVAL



Rev. R. C. Shearin, pastor of Steven Memorial Church in Greensboro, North Carolina, did the preaching in the revival at Hickory, August 4-10. Rev. Wayne C. Deitz is pastor of the church. Miss Mary Elizabeth Williamson, a member of First Church, Jackson, who is spending the summer with her parents, served as pianist and the pastor directed the music.

Two services daily, prayer services prior to each service and for the week preceding the revival resulted in twelve additions to the church, eight of them candidates for baptism. Thirty-four came for a rededication of their lives.

A forward step was the action of the church on the closing Sunday to increase the pastor's salary retroactive to August first.

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PINE GROVE CHURCH HOLDS YOUTH RALLY

A record crowd of over 200 attended the Pearl River Associational W. M. U. Young Peoples' Rally held at Pine Grove Baptist Church on June 27. An interesting program at the morning service featured the Sunbeams of Juniper Grove Baptist church, the R. A.'s of Picayune and the Y. W. A.'s of Poplarville. The devotional was led by Dr. Estes and an inspirational address given by Miss Dorothy Stockstill. Special music was furnished by the Union and Corinth churches.

After a delicious lunch served by the Pine Grove W. M. S., the group reassembled for the Coronation Service. The rostrum was beautifully decorated with flowers and ferns for the impressive service as the girls from the various churches marched to the rostrum and quoted their "Forward Steps." The highlight of the service was the crowning of two Queens of Girls' Auxiliary, Eula Vaughn Smith of Juniper Grove Church and Shannon Martin of Union Baptist Church.

In the absence of Mrs. D. Wade Smith, Associational Young Peoples' Leader, Mrs. Walter Ladner of the Juniper Grove Church had charge of the day's service.

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Of the total \$27,240,704 given for missions and benevolences by Southern Baptists in 1946, \$9,388,210 was given by the 3,457,716 members of the 23,858 churches with less than 500 members. Per capita gifts for the churches under 500 members amounted to \$2.64 for missions and benevolences. Per capita gifts for the 389,553 members of the 106 churches with more than 2,500 members amounted to \$10.12.

HOLD RALLY IN GREENE

The Young Peoples' Rally of Greene County, W. M. U. Association, Mrs. M. E. Perry, Leakesville, Associational Superintendent and Mrs. H. R. Backstrom, McLain, Associational Young Peoples' leader, was held at Leakesville First Baptist Church, Thursday July 10, with an attendance of 110 members, representing six churches of the association. Mrs. W. O. Churchwell serves as secretary.

An excellent program was presented by Auxiliaries from McLain and Leakesville W. M. U.'s. The highlight of the program was an address by Rev. A. C. Parker of Hattiesburg. Pastors attending were Rev. J. H. Cothern, McLain and Rev. M. E. Perry of the hostess church. Mrs. C. D. Barkley and niece, Miss Juanita Barkley were visitors from the Wayne Association.

Gipsev Smith, noted evangelist, died last week en-route to the United States. He was 87 years old.

PHALTI IN FINE MEET DEDICATES NEW ANNEX

The Phalti Church in Jeff Davis County has just closed an eight-day revival meeting, with Rev. Reed Polk as guest preacher. Rev. Polk is pastor at Monroeville, Alabama. Kelva Moore, pastor of Phalti, led the singing. There were ten professions of faith, and one dedication for special Christian service.

A new 48-inch attic fan was installed recently, permitting a greater degree of physical comfort to be enjoyed by the congregation.

Recently the new ten-room annex was opened and dedicated. The two large assembly rooms, along with the new class-rooms, prove a great asset to the work. In the recent Vacation Bible School 111 were enrolled, with an average attendance of 90.

The pulpit at Beaumont Church was supplied on July 13 by Rev. Foster Turner of Clarke Memorial College. Paul Z. Ball, pastor.

MRS. NANCY H. HOWELL

On the morning of April 12, 1947, death came to Mrs. Nancy Harvard Howell. She was born near Lucedale on March 22, 1877, the daughter of Stephen R. and Sarah Harvard and in 1904 became the wife of James N. Howell. Her husband and both parents survive her. Although her only child did not live to know her, she lavished her affection on her nieces and nephews as well as many others who lovingly called her "Aunt Nance."

She was a faithful member of Shady Grove Baptist Church, George County, and until ill health prevented, she was a regular attendant. Regularly she sent her tithe into the church and at the beginning of each quarter sent her offering for the Woman's Missionary Society, even though she was unable to attend.

Those who were nearby at the time of her death received consolation in her last words, and her smile of joy in death released her from suffering.

The grief of the community at the loss of a friend and Christian character was shown by the host of friends who gathered to pay their respects and tribute on the occasion of her funeral.

GOING PLACES

A. L. GOODRICH

Our Text: 1 Timothy 4:13c and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading;—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that they profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

CLEAR CREEK IS NUMBER 873

Clear Creek, Marion county, is number 873 on the Baptist Record list of EVERY FAMILY Churches. A list of 39 names was sent in recently by S. F. Cooper of Baxterville.

Baptist Record readers in Marion county are now listed as follows: CEDAR GROVE 37, BUNKER HILL 101, Columbia 18, FOXWORTH 98, EAST COLUMBIA 62, GOSS 72, IMPROVE 70, KOKOMO 44, OLOH 44, Hickory Grove 8, NEW HOPE 79, Hub 1, NORTH COLUMBIA 13, White Bluff 1, Spring Cottage 19, Sandy Hook 5, GREENVILLE 26, HOLLY SPRINGS 34, CLEAR CREEK 39.

CENTER RIDGE, CLARKE COUNTY JOINS

Center Ridge Church, Clarke county, has recently joined the Baptist Record list of EVERY FAMILY Churches with 32 names sent in by their treasurer A. W. Miller.

Baptist Record readers in Clarke county are now listed as follows: ANTIOCH 24, CENTER RIDGE 32, Crandall 1, ELAM 22, ENTERPRISE 73, HARMONY 36, Knight's Valley 18, PACHUTA 32, Pine Grove 9, PINE HILL 12, PLEASANT GROVE 17, PLEASANT HILL 40, QUITMAN 109, ROLLING CREEK 35, SHUBUTA 58, SOULENLOVIE 26, STONEWALL 141, DESOTO 35, OAK GROVE 17, BUCATUNNA 11, MONTROSE 45, MT. ZION 25, HEPZIBAH 15.

Oak Grove Church, Clarke County, had a splendid Vacation Bible School with Pastor L. B. Simmons serving as principal.—Mrs. Esther Copley.



YOUR TITHE WILL DO THIS...

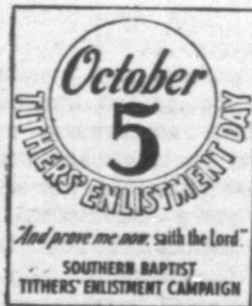
If every Southern Baptist will try tithing for even three months, the financial needs of the Southern Baptist Seminary will be met at once. The Seminary will be released from financial worry, and equipped to discharge its responsibility to the denomination at home and abroad.

ELLIS A. FULLER, *President*
SOUTHERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

NINE thousand trained workmen have gone out from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary since its founding by courageous pioneers in 1859, each answering God's call to preach the gospel to the ends of the earth. Only eternity can reveal the meaningfulness of their labors, but it is not unfair to say that the Seminary and its graduates have been a key factor in making Baptists the largest free church group of evangelistic Christians on earth.

Your tithe will help continue and enlarge the work of this institution of Southern Baptists.

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Relieve misery of headache quickly with Liquid Capudine. Acts fast because its ingredients are already dissolved—all ready to begin relief. Use only as directed.
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from discomfort of minor skin irritation, in the gentle cleansing and soothing action of these twin helps.
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TO EASE ACHES BOILS OR SORENESS
Quickly apply soothing and comforting GRAY'S OINTMENT with its wholesome antiseptics and nature aiding medication. Nothing else like it—nothing so comforting—or pleasant for externally caused skin troubles. 35c. Get a package today.

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The cleansing and soothing action of **JOHN R. DICKEY'S OLD RELIABLE EYE WASH** brings quick relief to burning, smarting, over-worked eyes. 25c & 50c at drug stores. DICKEY DRUG COMPANY, BRISTOL, VA.

British Baptists Again Say "Thanks" For 1940-41 Gifts

ATLANTA, Ga., — (BP)— British Baptists continue to say "thank you" for the special monetary gifts of American Baptists in 1940-41 when war had so handicapped Great Britain and all British foreign mission work hung in the balance.

In a letter to Dr. Louie D. Newton, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, the Baptist Missionary Society of London reports that the final balance of the 51,536 pounds sterling (approximately \$25,000) has just been used. The American money, given by members of both Northern and Southern Conventions, was used throughout the war to supplement the necessarily limited gifts of the British.

The letter, signed jointly by Ernest A. Payne, chairman; Emet Brown, treasurer; and H. L. Taylor, ex-treasurer, said in part:

"It is due largely to your help that we have been able fully to maintain our work in India, China, and Africa during these difficult years, and we know that the fact of your gift and the brotherly interest represented by it has undoubtedly been a means of stimulating the gifts of our own people. You will be glad to know that these gifts have advanced from 101,781 pounds in 1941 to 163,158 pounds in 1947.

"We greatly rejoice in the fellowship in the work of the gospel which has developed between us as an outcome of your gift and we trust that this sense of fellowship may abide."

Baptists To Expand Evangelism

COPENHAGEN —(RNS)— The Seventh Congress of the Baptist World Alliance opened here with a meeting of the executive committee during which the Rev. Dr. C. J. Tinsley, of Australia, was named to preside over the congress, and Dr. T. C. Bau, of China, was elected vice chairman.

The executive committee voted to continue and expand its work of evangelism and to begin a five-year program to be coordinated with national crusades of evangelism. It will send "messengers" from one nation to another, and will also serve as an avenue of exchange for evangelistic literature.

In a report on world evangelization, Dr. G. Pitt Beers, executive secretary of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, called attention to the attitude of hopelessness which he said now grips Europe, and declared that the continent's salvation lies in a "new application of the Gospel of Christ."

Europe's relief needs were outlined by Dr. W. O. Lewis, general secretary of the World Alliance. He recommended that the relief committee be enlarged and its work strengthened.

Dr. Theodore F. Adams, of Richmond, Va., was named chairman of the nominating committee while Dr. Edwin T. Dahlberg, of Syracuse, president of the Northern Baptist Convention, Dr. Joseph C. Hazen, of New York, secretary of the Northern Baptist Convention, Dr. M. E. Dodd, Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, and Mrs. George R. Martin, all of the Southern Baptist Convention, were appointed committee members.

Dr. Stanley I. Stuber, national director of public relations for the Northern Baptist Convention, was named to the committee on the order of business, along with Dr. George W. Sadler, of Atlanta, and Mrs. Edwin T. Dahlberg, of Syracuse.

Johannes Norgaard, president of the Baptist Union of Denmark, Dr. Bredhal Peterson, of Copenhagen, and Dr. Louie D. Newton, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, will serve as ex officio members.

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The new weekly church bulletin promoting Southern Baptist work, and prepared with a two color cover by the Executive Committee, will have a circulation of 100,000 for its first issue September 1. C. E. Bryant is the editor.

WHAT WILL THE ANSWER BE?

By E. D. Hurst, Laurel, Miss.

The urgent needs of our Baptist colleges and the obligation of the denomination to provide for Christian Education, and the training of preachers and leaders in our churches for all of our work, bring the problems of our schools to the entire membership of the denomination. Christian Education—Education with Christ in it—is one of the primary objects in the work of Southern Baptists, and one of the urgent essentials in the programs of Mississippi Baptists. The needs in this field are very definite and critical. Critical in the sense that the progress of Christian Education is now handicapped until more facilities and better equipment are provided in our four colleges.

The present needs of our colleges have been accumulating over a long period of time. The orderly growth in the general field of education has taxed all school facilities. The extraordinary conditions growing out of the late war and the grants to veterans for educational opportunities now have crowded all colleges and universities. Our Christian schools, owned and supported by our Baptist people, are crowded to the doors with students. All of our colleges need room, more equipment, and more teaching force. Current living costs make it necessary to pay higher wages to teachers. It is easy, we believe, for our people to see and to understand all of these problems in our Baptist schools.

Opportunities Great

Our colleges have emergency needs. The accumulated needs over the years together with the immediate opportunities given to war veterans and others to go to college is a slight draft on our Baptist schools that must be met. The denomination holds the resources for this work. Our leaders and pastors must make known this situation to the churches. The immediate emergency need (requirements to begin the coming September sessions) is not less than \$1.00 for every Mississippi Baptist now. Now means less than thirty days before the sessions open.

The need is too great and the item too small for Mississippi Baptists to fail. This is an easy calculation but a hard job. A great host of trained leaders and liberal givers must make the sacrifice now to provide for

TATE STREET PROGRESSES



Modern in every respect is the new pastorium of the Tate Street Church, Corinth. There are six large rooms and a basement. A butane heating system will be installed soon. This is the first of three units of the building program of the church. Plans are to begin on the \$35,000 auditorium of the church in the fall. The present building will be converted into an educational plant.

Rev. H. B. Speights has served as

pastor for three years. During his ministry 136 have been added to the membership, Sunday School attendance has been increased by 100 and the budget increased from \$5,000 to \$10,000.

The pastor says that he and his family have grown along with the church, and they feel spiritually richer to greater service. A fine son has also been added to the pastor's family.

"THE BIBLE TODAY" BY LOUIE NEWTON BEGINS THIS FALL

ATLANTA, Ga. — (BP) — Louie D. Newton, pastor and president of the Southern Baptist Convention, has accepted the invitation of the International Council of Religious Education to write a syndicated column of Sunday school lesson comments for 1,616 co-operating newspapers. The column will be of 750 words weekly, and will deal with uniform lesson outlines under the heading, "The Bible Today." The Council, representing 40 Protestant denominations in the United States, said that Dr. Newton's articles would begin with the lesson of September 21, 1947.

He was editor of The Christian Index, Georgia Baptist newspaper, from 1920 to 1930, and has served as

Christian Education in our Baptist schools.

Needs Immediate

An orderly program set up by every church and every association, under the leadership of the church and the association, should accomplish the task in time to meet the greatest demand ever made upon our Christian colleges. 325,000 members and \$325,000.00 will set all of our schools in motion for the work that must be done during the next session.

This problem is big enough and important enough to claim the attention of our leaders and pastors and churches, and the work must go on if Mississippi Baptists make the ratio of progress comparable to their resources and worthy of their Christian claims. Too, we ought to "wear out" our educators and Christian teachers in Dollar Campaigns to provide for the needs of the work they are called upon to do.

This work ought to be accomplished immediately over and above our present One Million Dollar goal for the Co-operative Program this year. To pay both of these projects and keep up all of the local work of the churches and associations will require less than one-third of the Tithe of Mississippi. What will the answer be?

term editor for the past three months, following the death of Dr. O. P. Gilbert and the assumption of the duties by John Jeter Hurt, Jr., July 6. He has done newspaper work in different capacities since he was quite young.

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MRS. A. L. FITZGERALD

Whereas on June 3rd 1947, God in His infinite wisdom called home our beloved friend and co-worker Mrs. A. L. Fitzgerald and

Whereas she was a faithful member of the Crenshaw Baptist Church, she was the last charter member of this church. She served as Sunday School Teacher, Sunday School Superintendent, President of the local W. M. U. as Associational Superintendent of W. M. U. in Panola County, and in other capacities wherever she was called to serve, and

Whereas, her life of faithful and consecrated service was an inspiration to all who knew her, We feel that in her passing, this Church and Town have suffered a great loss and that she will be greatly missed by all.

Therefore, be it resolved, that we express our sympathy to her bereaved family and pray God's richest blessings upon them, and further

Be it resolved that a copy of these resolutions be placed on the minutes of the Church, a copy be sent to the family and a copy be sent to The Baptist Record.

Mrs. Fred Barham.

Mrs. A. A. Crawford.

Maud Barham.

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Mesa Church, Waltham County, recently enjoyed a fine series of revival services with David Grant of Louisville, Kentucky, as preacher. There were 17 additions, 11 by baptism. At the closing service of the meeting 5 deacons were ordained. Marcus Alexander is pastor.

Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans, has several scholarships for the Mather School of Nursing which will be made available to young women who would like to enter training but do not have the necessary funds. There is still time to secure a scholarship and enter the September class if those interested will act immediately. Full information upon request.—FRANK TRIPP, Superintendent.